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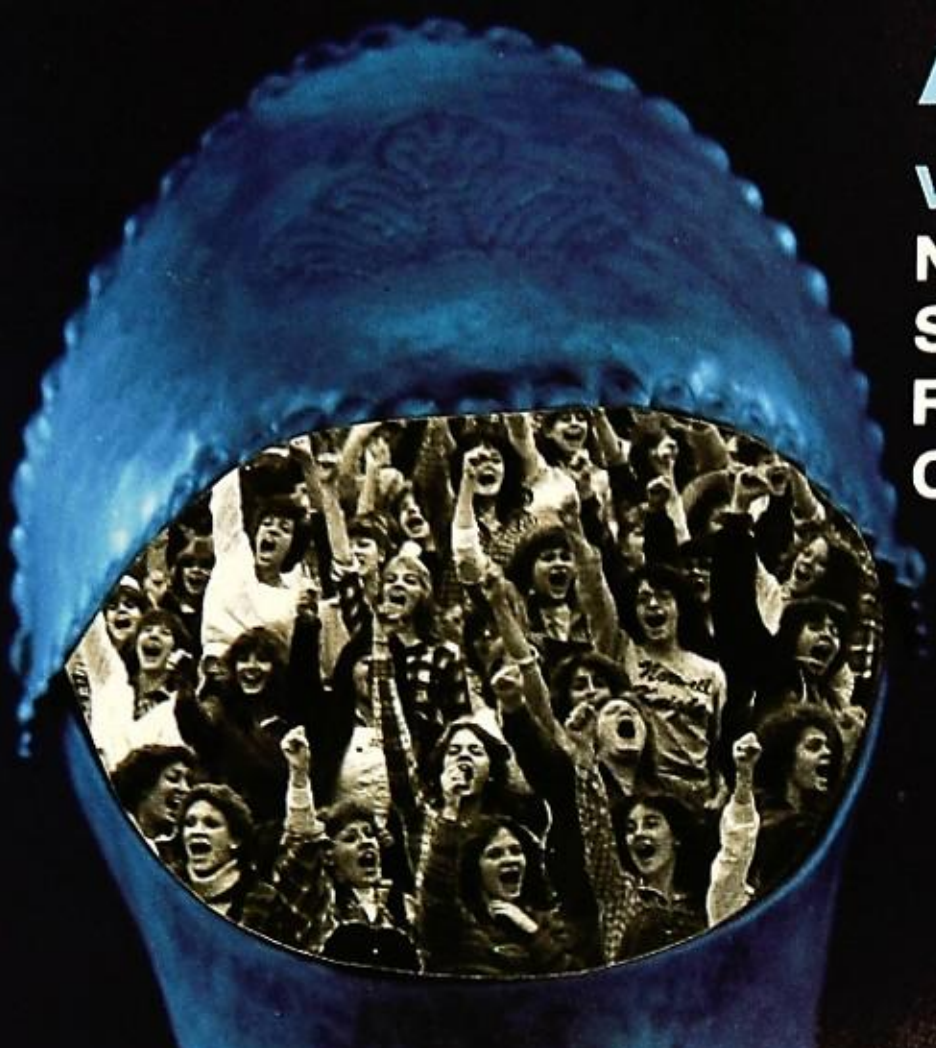
Filled with spirit. Excitement during a pre-ACAC Tourney game pep session puts a "cheerful" expression on Oscar.



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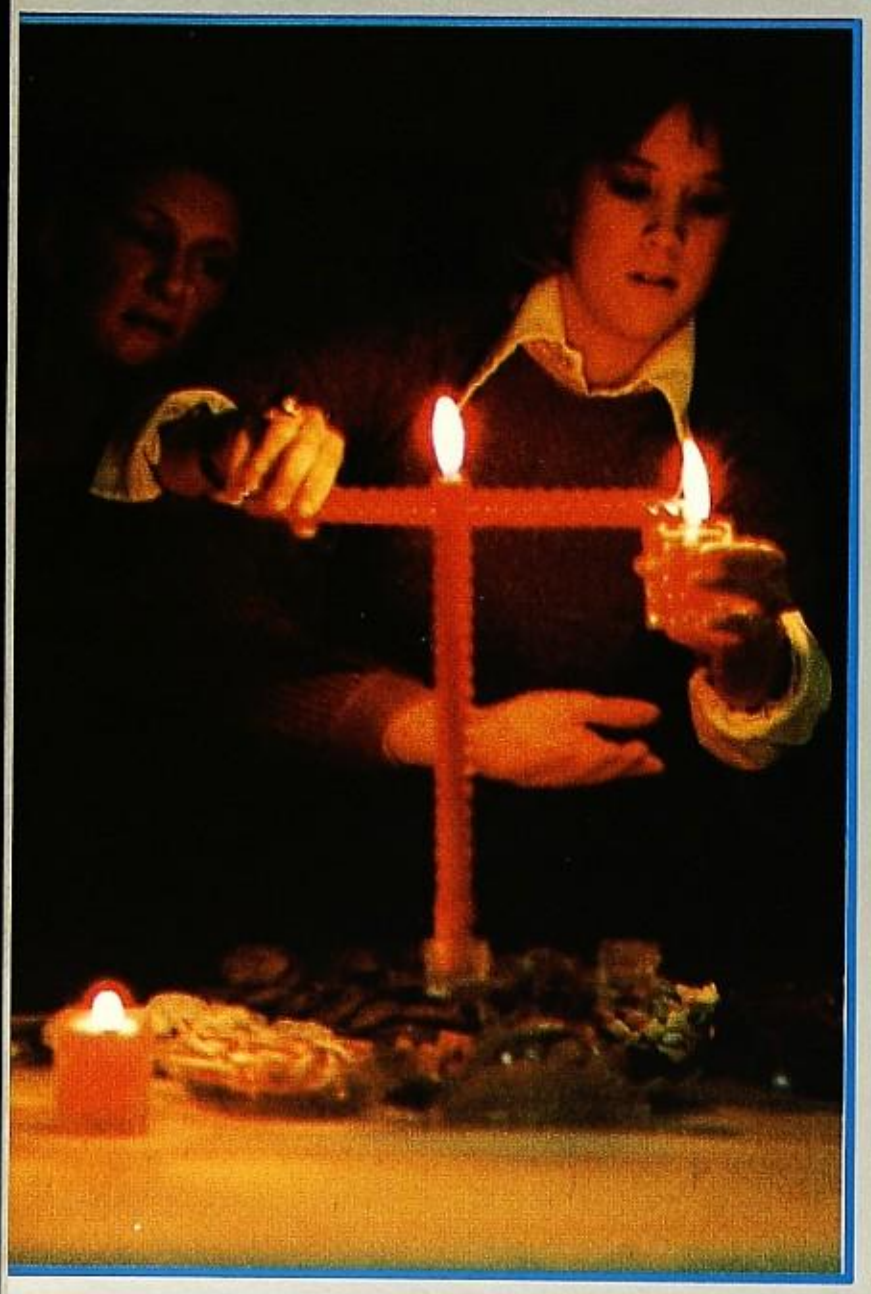
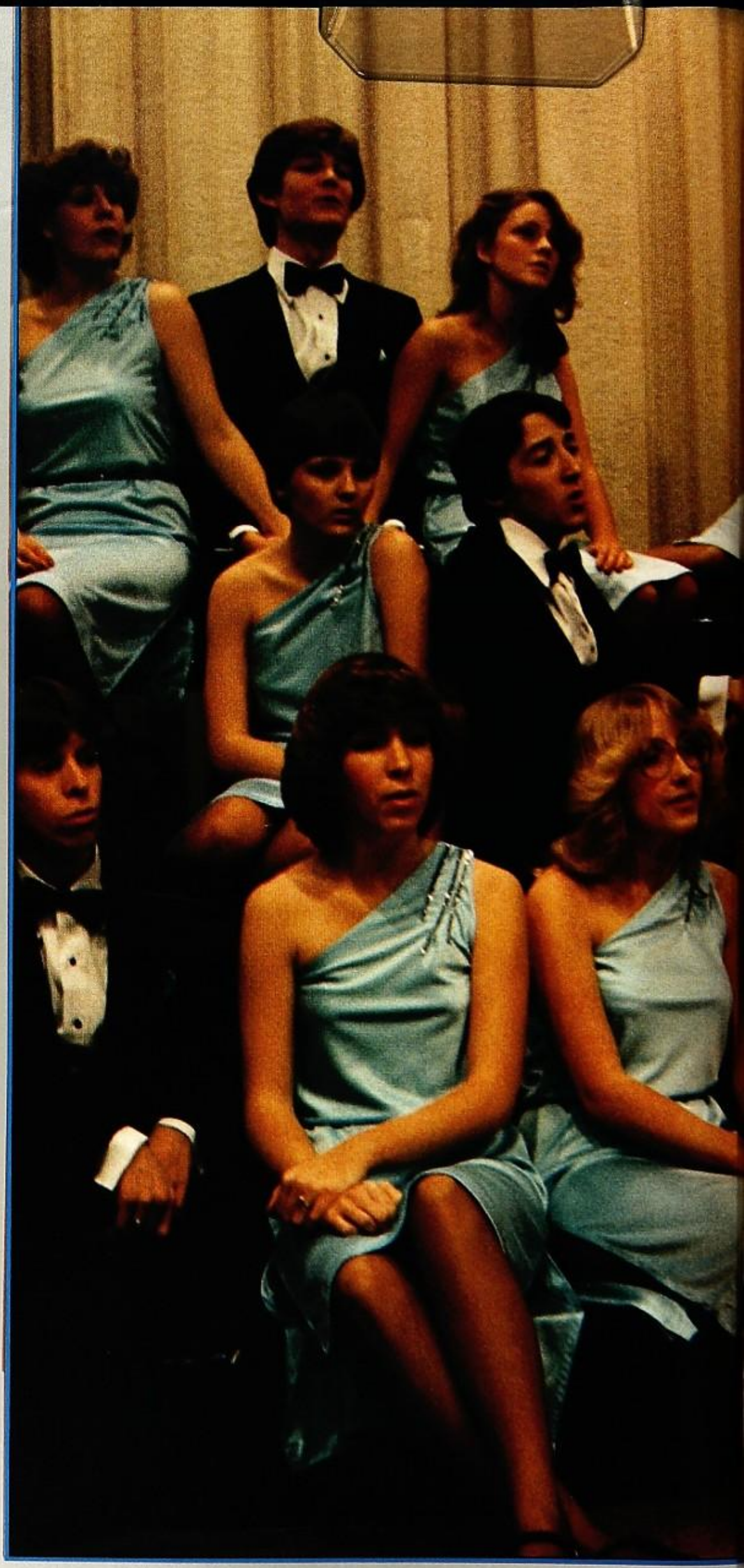
Suspended art. Colorful cartons are featured in the art showcase.



Candle-lit reception. Denise Shropshire carefully lights a candle for a mock wedding reception in Home Living class while Billie Miller prevents the possibility of wax falling on the refreshments.

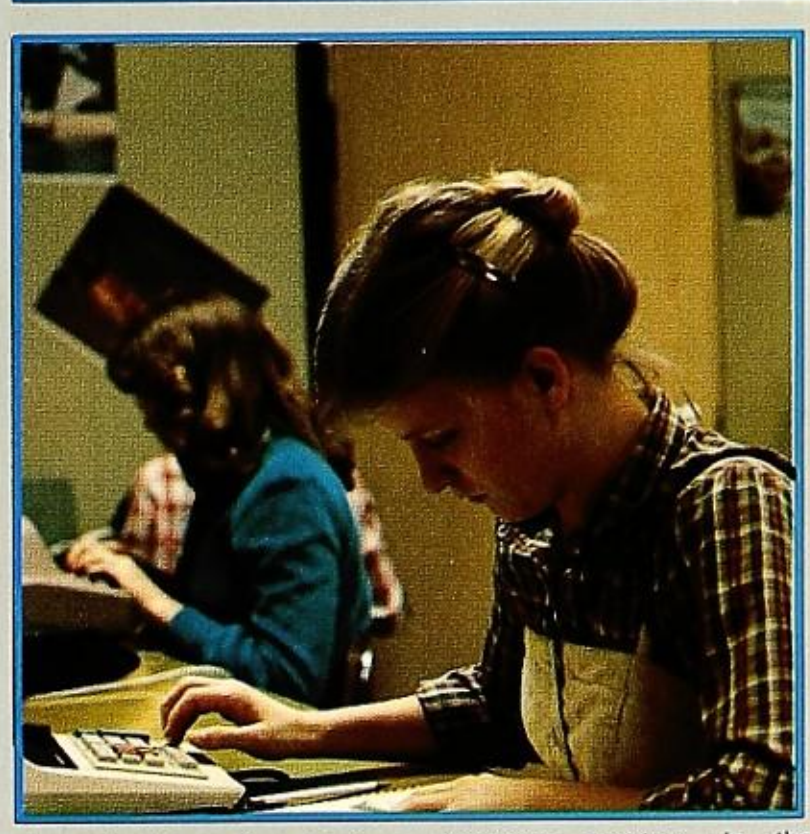


All set. Swing Set members Lynda McAfee, Dave Rupel, Deb Macklin, Pam Barger, Lani Johnson, Doug McDowell, Robin Kling, Jon Hartigan, Juli Bowman, Angie Shilling, and Vincent Gerber perform "With You" during a dress rehearsal.

Back in black. LuAnn Hiday (rifle) and Tina Stephens (flag) show off their new uniforms during Grande Illusion's first public appearance at Norwell this year.

Don't bring me down. Andy Antrim is about to be tackled.

Gifted students. Amy Brane, Bonnie Bryant, Stasi Decker, Sheri Reeves, Veronica Teague, Kelly Scott, and Kim Lopshire exchange Christmas presents in the commons.



Summing it up. Lynn Gerber uses a calculating machine to figure out her Business Machines problem. In the background, Denise Scheumann is transcribing a letter.

After completing an undefeated season, the football team won its first sectional championship.

Dressed in their new uniforms, the Grande Illusion "*Wizzed*" their way to first place in their first competition.

Keeping students tuned in to what was comin' up as well as to what had been goin' on, the *Wavelength* staff published Norwell's first biweekly newspaper.

These were just some of the accomplishments that students felt enlivened their lives at Norwell in 1980-'81.

KNIGHT LIFE...

Skits-ophrenics. Angie Binkley, Alan Tripp, Shawn Norrick, Christina Ramsey, Tracey Hyde, Mark Houser, Stacy Kitchin, Terri Reppert, and Truques Polderman change identities in the juniors' skit.

Paper peddler. Marcie Lacy had to make an early arrival to school to help sell current issues of *Wavelength* to Marcia Smith and other incoming students in the commons.

Of course, the traditional trophy case-stuffing events continued to bring home accolades of success. For example, the boys' basketball team brought home their second ACAC Championship in a row. The Marching Knights, competing against bands twice their size, strutted to third place at the state fair. And the cross country team ran up a list of victories in the ACAC, bi-county, and sectional meets.

But it took something special to bring us to a state of rowdiness handed down from our older brothers and sisters — something that would significantly increase our claim to fame, like the many successes achieved by this year's Knights. And even though we only took it for granted then, we realize now that *Knight life . . . is the best life!*

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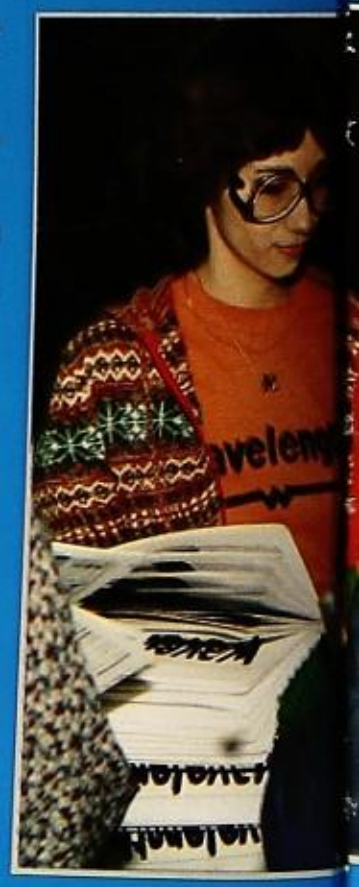

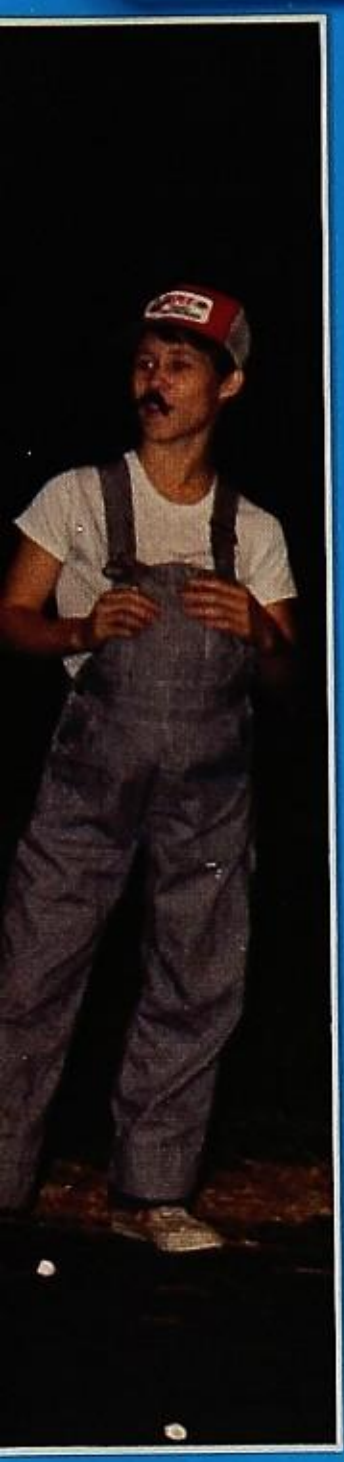

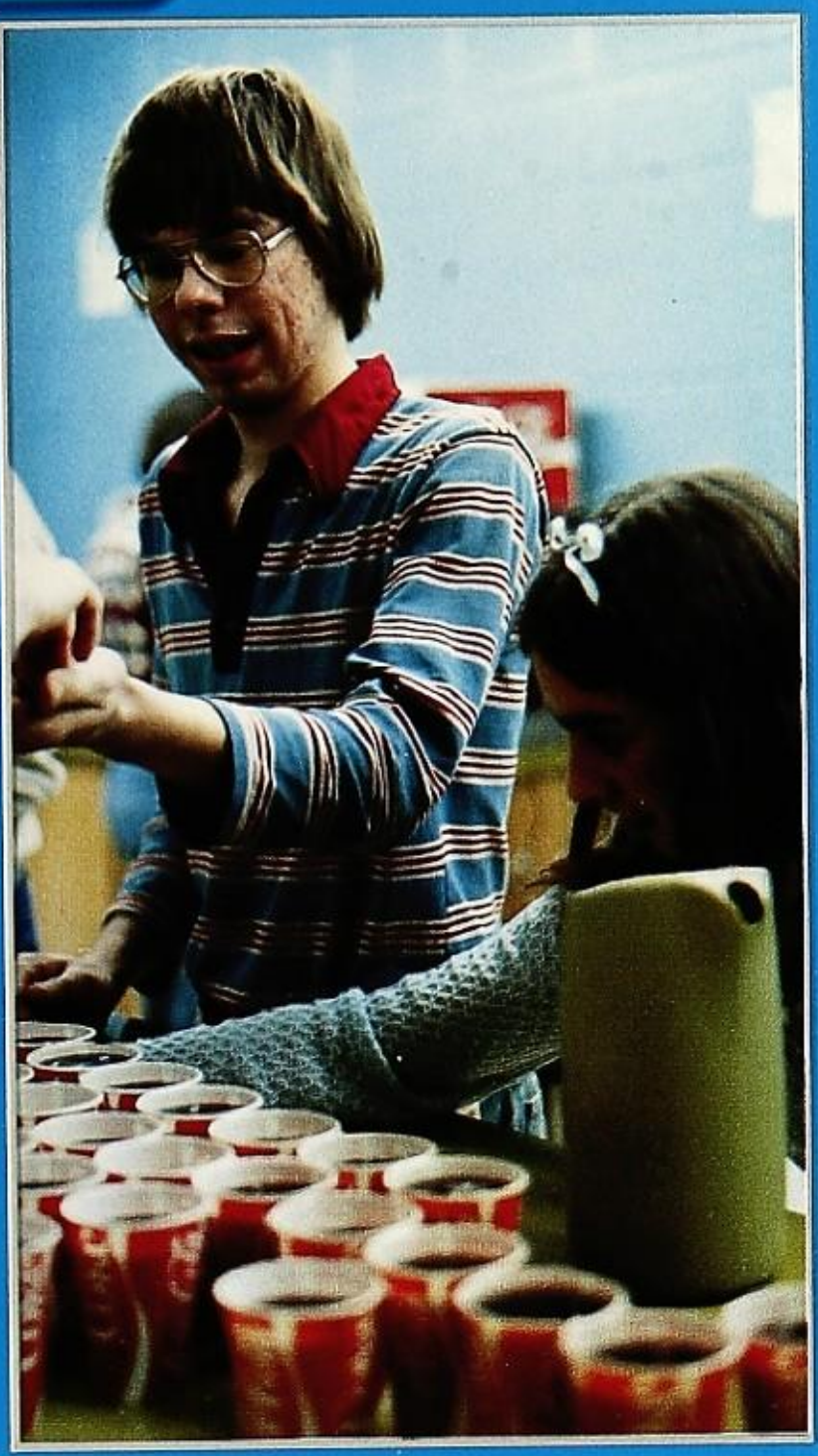

Money makers. Senior Colin Werling receives pop payment for Hi-Y as sophomore Julie Gibson replenishes the shake supply for the gymnastics team.

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Fill it to the rim. As Dirk Bradburn shoots for two, Jeff Miller and four Bluffton Tigers watch the ball.

No boys' pep block, but . . . Guys like Craig Plummer, Lee Byerly, Stacy Hoffacker, Anthony Hoch, Greg McBride, and Mark Osborn continued the club's rowdy antics.

Commons people. Students relax in an ordinary fashion after a quick lunch.

See it shimmer. Rachel Gerber gets ready to test her Jello-eating ability.

STUDENT LIFE

Keepin' busy seemed to be a fad this year at Norwell, and it wasn't difficult to do, with activities ranging from the bed race during Homecoming to "gettin' into" the after-game dances.

Nothing, not even homework, seemed to slow us down, although a flu epidemic in mid-January tried. Everyone was soon back on his feet and worrying about Florida vacation plans for spring break and last-minute semester schedule changes.

Hard times were felt but not shown as students' cars continued to fill the parking lot (even though everyone was paying $1.30 a gallon to fill his tank) and as students found themselves digging a little deeper into their pockets for prom expenses.

But we knew it was worth the hassles to get involved, because even though we only took it for granted then, we realize now that *Knight life . . . is the best life!*

It was a super week!

It was cold and it had been raining most of the day. The sun had gone down and the football field lights were on. The stands were filled with students, teachers, parents, and other Norwell fans who wouldn't let their spirits be dampened by the weather. The occasion? It was the Homecoming game against the Carroll Chargers.

Not only did the Knights beat Carroll 41-0, but also late in the fourth quarter the announcement came over the PA that Delta had lost to Jay County, meaning that Norwell had a chance at the state playoffs. Everyone started jumping up and down and yelling and screaming with excitement, leaving no doubt that the place had gone nuts. Such behavior was not atypical that week.

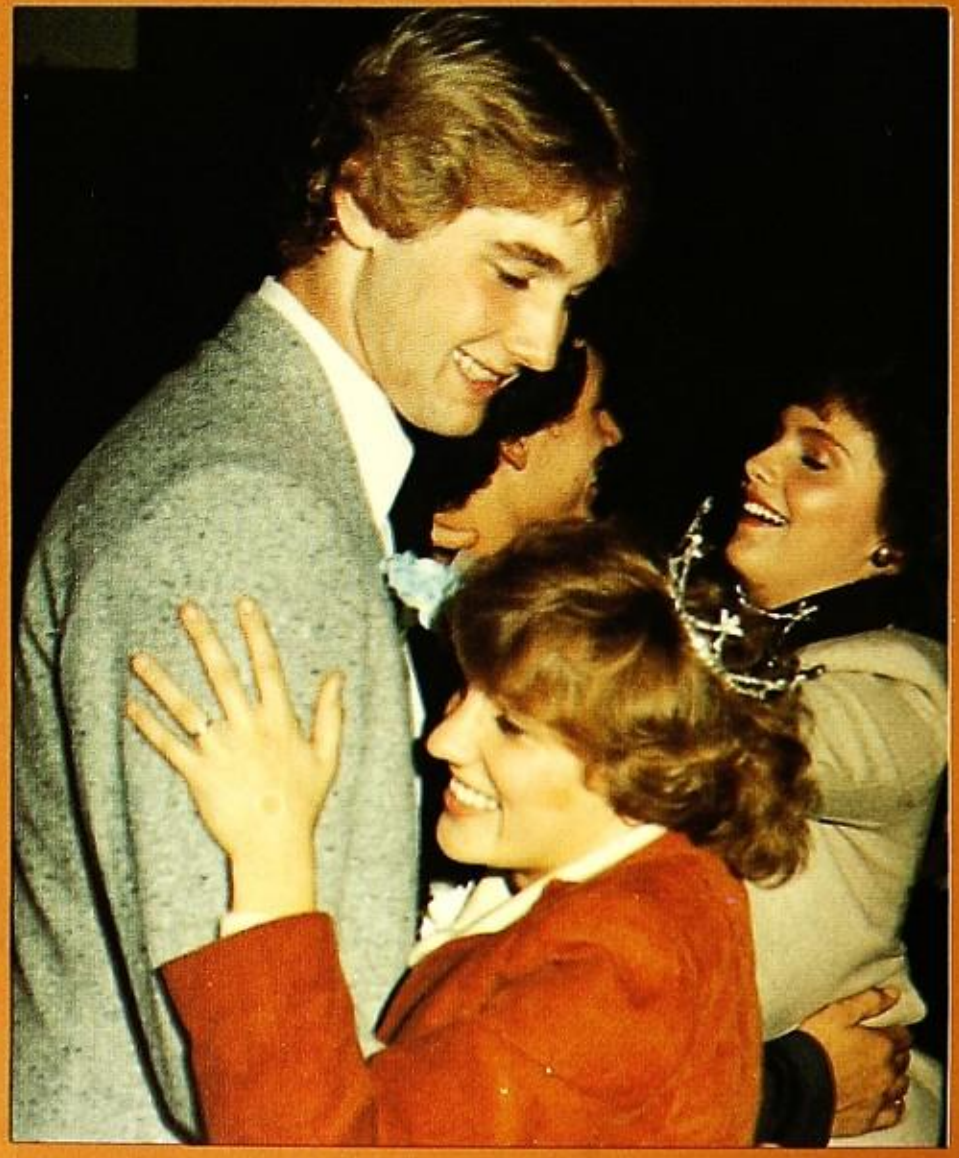
The Wednesday night Junior Olympics provided an evening of excitement. Eggs oozing between cupped hands, marshmallow "mumps," and dizzy spells cast upon runners at the end of the obstacle course instigated lots of laughter. Participants in the tug of war ended up being badly scratched and getting red arms and hands. The wheelbarrow race was a trying one, and so was the mattress race. Field goal kickers performed with gusto.

All participants got plenty of moral support from classmates in the stands yelling their class cheer and rooting for them. The seniors won the overall competition, but it was hard to tell who the champs would be until the finish of the last race, for the scores were so close.

Towering inferno. Students back away from the bonfire as it gets hotter.

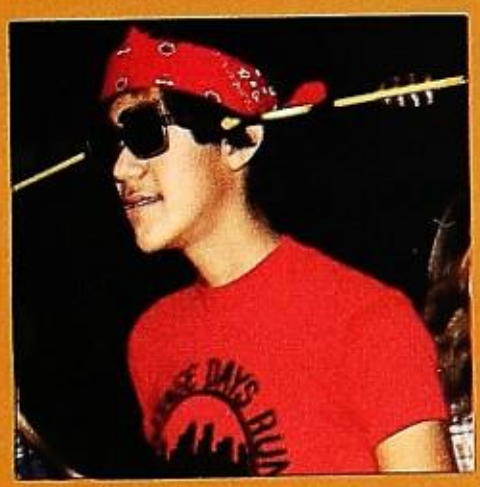
Amidst the mist. Kelly Stabler, Jacque Morris, Tami Decker, Rhonda Gerber, and alumnus Scott Smith take protection from the rain.

Hip-hip-hooray! David Ploughe impersonates a female cheerleader at the Junior Olympics.



The royal couple. After being announced king and queen, Jerry Kumfer and Becky Mankey lead a slow dance.

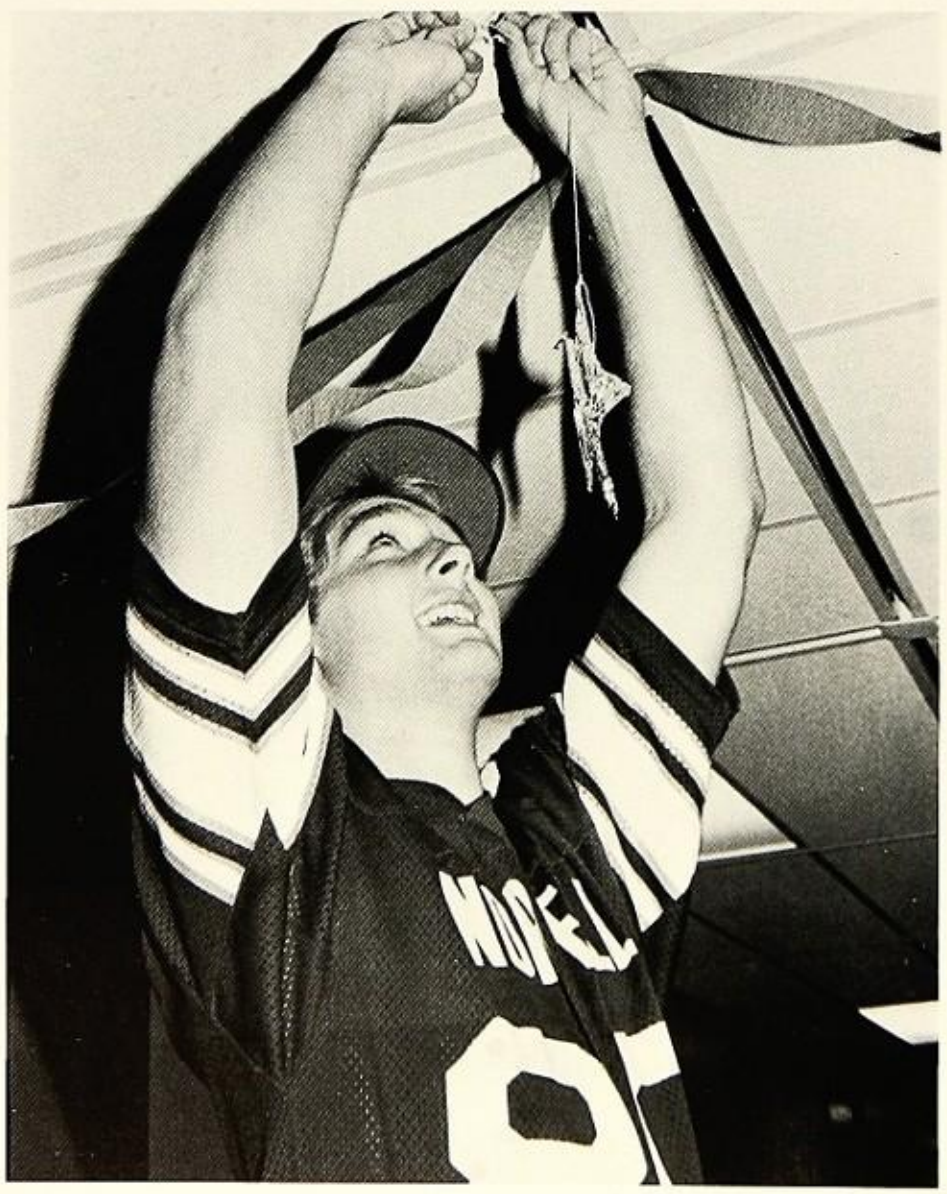
Mouthful of marshmallows. Mr. Cooper gets assistance from Miss Flannery in the marshmallow-eating contest.



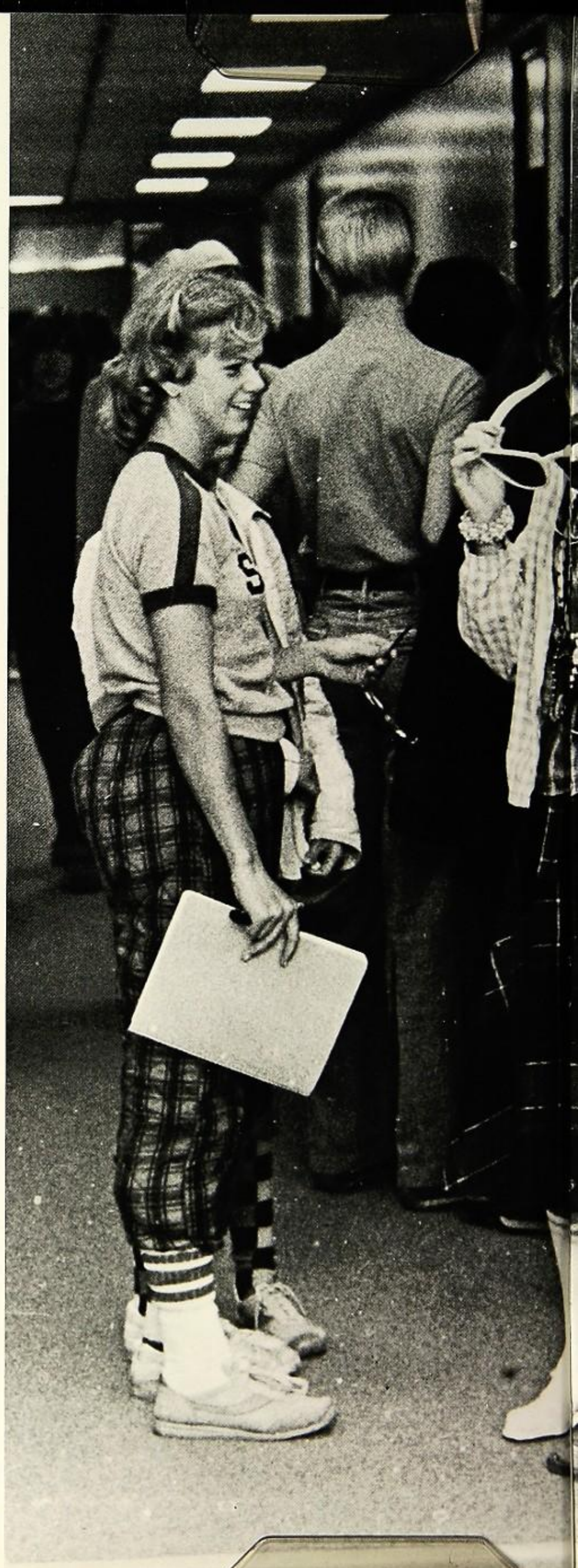
Arrow-minded. Dan Waksman walks around school Steve Martin-style on Crazy Day.

Oops! Kenneth Stephens, Stacy Hoffacker, Rick Keplinger, and Rob Bender almost drop the mattress with Teresa Burke on it while racing down the football field.

Talented tossers. Randy Frauhiger, Jeff Carnes, and Richard Baxter hope their eggs make it to their partners without breaking.



Stargazing. Jerry Kumfer spends time hanging stars for the seniors' hallway decorations.



It was a super week!

Grandma Hinrichs. Daylene Hinrichs strolls through the halls in her costume for Crazy Day.

It's up and it's good! Mr. Marshall scored points for the faculty team with his successful field goal.

Later in the night came the bonfire. The cheerleaders started things going, with the assistance of a few fellow seniors who ran around the fire yelping like Indians.

Friday night after the game came the Homecoming Dance DJ'd by WMEE's Steve Christian. When the music stopped and the lights came on, Linda Ely stepped on the platform and announced all of the candidates and introduced last year's king and queen, Matt Krinn and Teenie Nichols. She then announced that Jerry Kumfer was king and Becky Mankey was queen for 1980.

"It's great!" Becky said about being crowned queen. "I was really surprised." The king and queen led the next dance.

All in all, Homecoming week left students with plenty to remember, including Crazy Day's zanies and spectacular walls.

Mmmm, good! Gigi Delgado enjoys her lunch in the cafeteria on Hat Day.

Basic training. Richard Thomas struggles through the obstacle course at the Junior Olympics.

Mixed match. Shelly Rhodes and Rhonda Mahlie are found in plaids and checks on Crazy Day.

Is this a masquerade party? The cheerleaders give directions to all Junior Olympic participants during homeroom on Crazy Day.

Gravity defiers. Kristi Prichard, Julie Prichard, Laura Ball, and Susan Hadley exhibit their talent.

Boogie Wonderland. Students mingle in the gym August 29 after the football game against Harding.

Boogie Wonderland

"Are you going to the after-game dance?"

"Will you dance with me?"

These were a couple of questions asked by many students who wanted to have the company of the opposite sex. These questions were usually coupled with such responses as "Sure, I'd love to!" or "No way!" A guy never knew what to expect from a girl when he asked her to dance. What was he supposed to do if he didn't have a partner?

Fortunately, there were plenty of songs for which he didn't need someone to dance with. When these were played, everyone got on the dance floor and free-styled (did their own thing) to Van Halen, AC/DC, Bob Seger, and Earth, Wind and Fire. With all that music jammin' and the colored lights and strobe lights flashing in their eyes, everyone wanted to dance the night away. And that they could have very well done.

For every after-game dance held, there was a club sponsoring it. Cheerleaders, Thespians, Pub Staff, Grande Illusion, Student Council, and Swing Set all took advantage of the profit potential of dances. Money from these dances went to the sponsoring club's treasury.

One of the special dances held during the year was the Sunshine Christmas Dance at Thunderbird Lodge. Girls had to ask a guy to that one. Some girls went right up to the guy they wanted to go with and asked him, and some who had never asked a guy out before called him up on the phone to pop the question. Somehow they managed to get up the courage to ask.

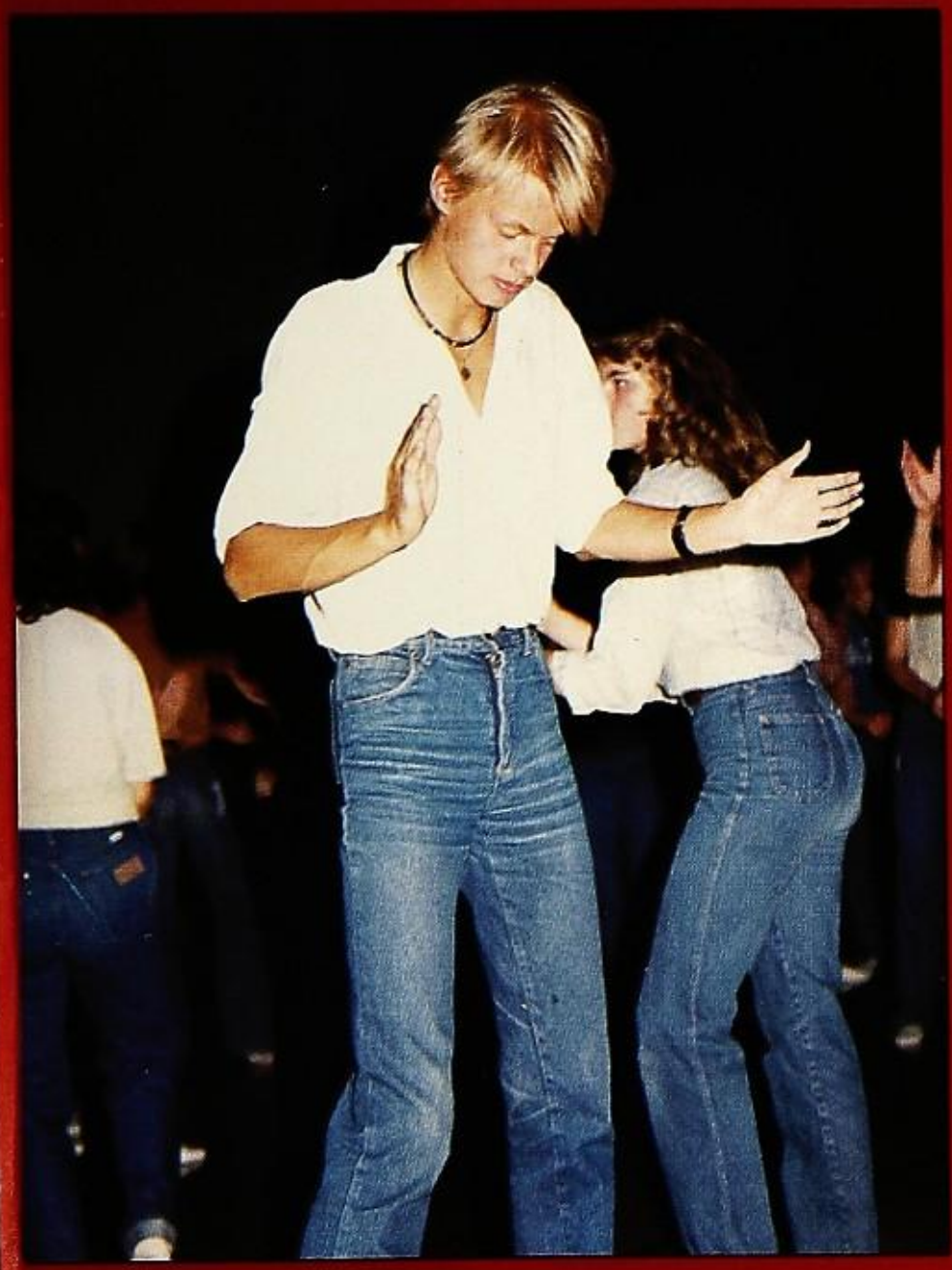
Gettin' rowdy . . .

Boogieing in the middle of the crowd . . .

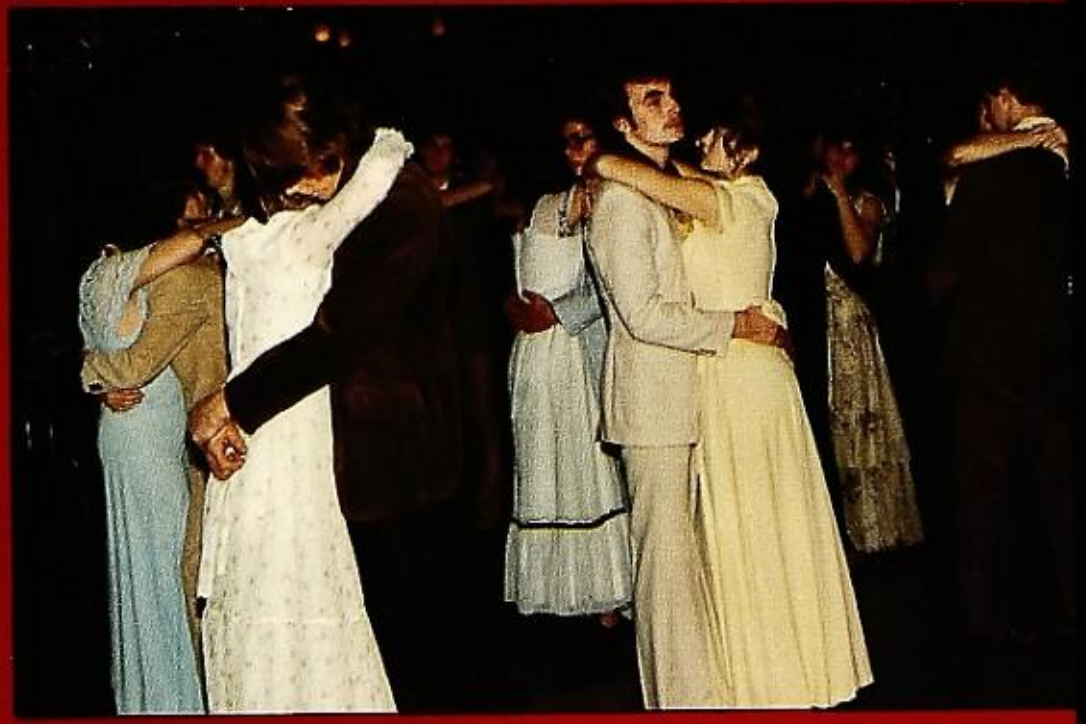
Being with someone special . . .

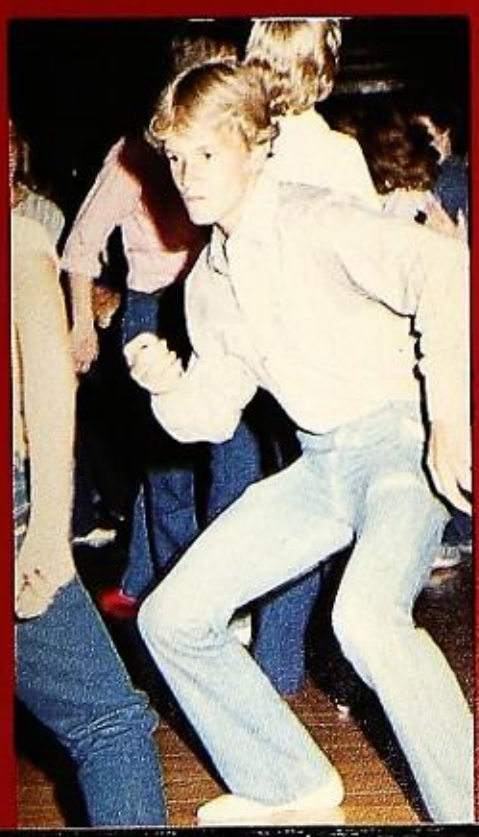
These are the things that made dances unforgettable fun.

In step. Janice Walmsley and Matt Kinzer move to the beat at the SunShine Christmas Dance.



Finland-style. Exchange student Kimmo Ruotsalainen adds an international feel to the first after-game dance.





Fancy and formal. Neil Diamond's "Love on the Rocks" put couples at the SunShine Christmas Dance in the mood for a slow dance.

Let's do the twist. In the gym after the Harding football game, sophomore Mick Lewis brings back a dance from the past.

Cake by candlelight. Alan Tripp celebrates his seventeenth birthday.

Power failure? No, Lori Van Meter, Juli Bowman, Shelly Kaufman, David Sherman, and Shelley Newbury use candles to create a medieval atmosphere at the Chamber Singers' Christmas Feast.

Firestarters

The Halloween headhunter. Sophomore Thomas Woodward sits out on Halloween to create a scary mood.

Stephen King came out with a supernatural-occult novel titled *Firestarter* late in 1980. The book deals with an eight-year-old girl who possesses "pyrokinesis", a combination of Greek words meaning "fire" and "movement." She could start anything on fire just with her mind.

Although Norwell students didn't start fires with their minds, they didn't mind starting fires with their hands to keep themselves warm on a cold fall night, to keep spirits burning, or to conduct experiments.

One of the hottest flames in the school was the torches used to weld metal together in welding class. Because very high temperatures were needed to melt and bring metal pieces together, students were required to wear a shield to protect their eyes from blindness.

Experiments in chemistry classes required Bunsen burners to create chemical reactions. Mr. Howard Jones always made sure experimenters wore goggles and aprons for their own protection.

A big bonfire was started after the Homecoming Junior Olympics to help everyone get fired up. The hot glow from the burning of the Carroll Charger kept students warm and raised their spirits.

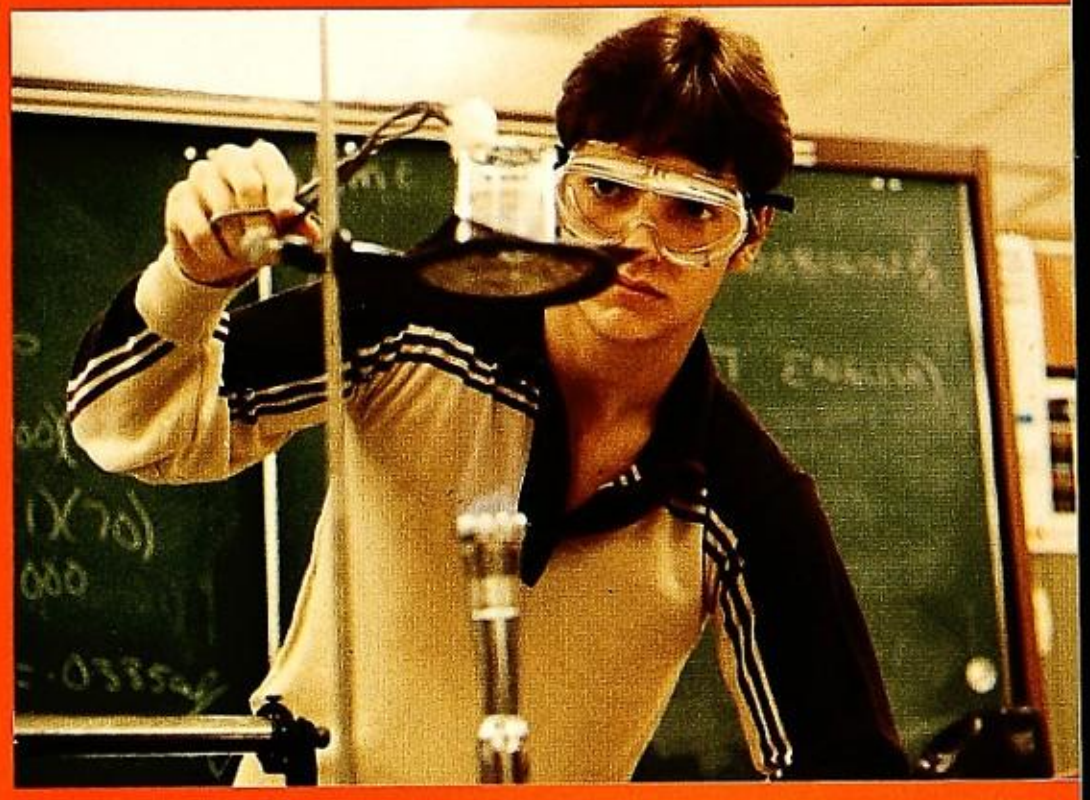
At the Chamber Singers' Feast held a couple of weeks before Christmas, candles were used to create a medieval mood.

Some classes had little birthday parties for friends throughout the year. Cakes decked with candles were brought in, and the birthday boy or girl made a wish and blew out the candles. Sounds usual, but at school it was something else.

Fortunately, one event at Norwell that wasn't accompanied by fire was the fire drill. Once a month a drill was conducted to meet state regulations so that students would know what to do if a fire really occurred.

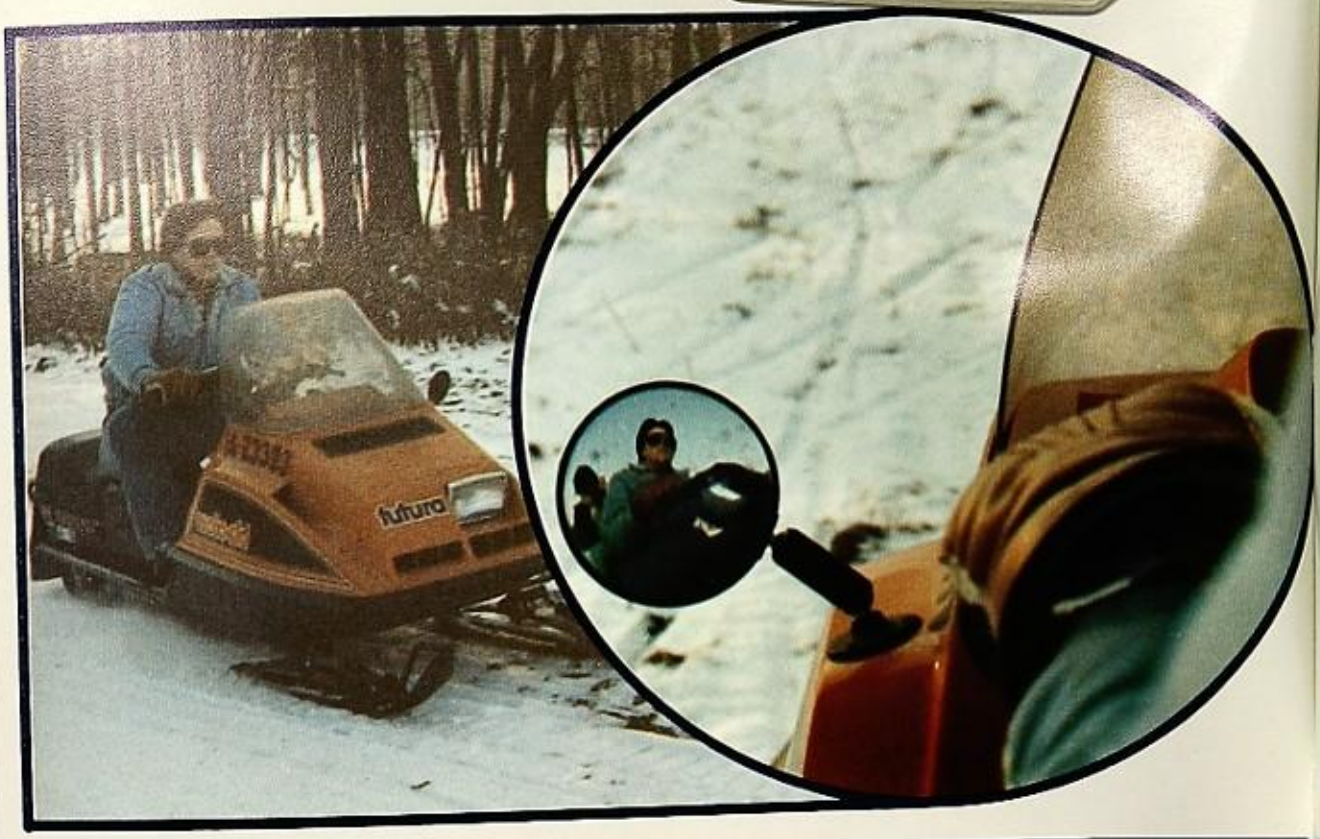
Norwell didn't have "pyrokinesis," but it did have an imagination for fires — and those fires never got out of control as they did in *Firestarter*.

Torchering the Charger. Kenny Frauhiger, Kirk Roberts, and Les Mygrant light the bonfire after the Junior Olympics competition on the football field. The band kept the crowd aroused with mood music.



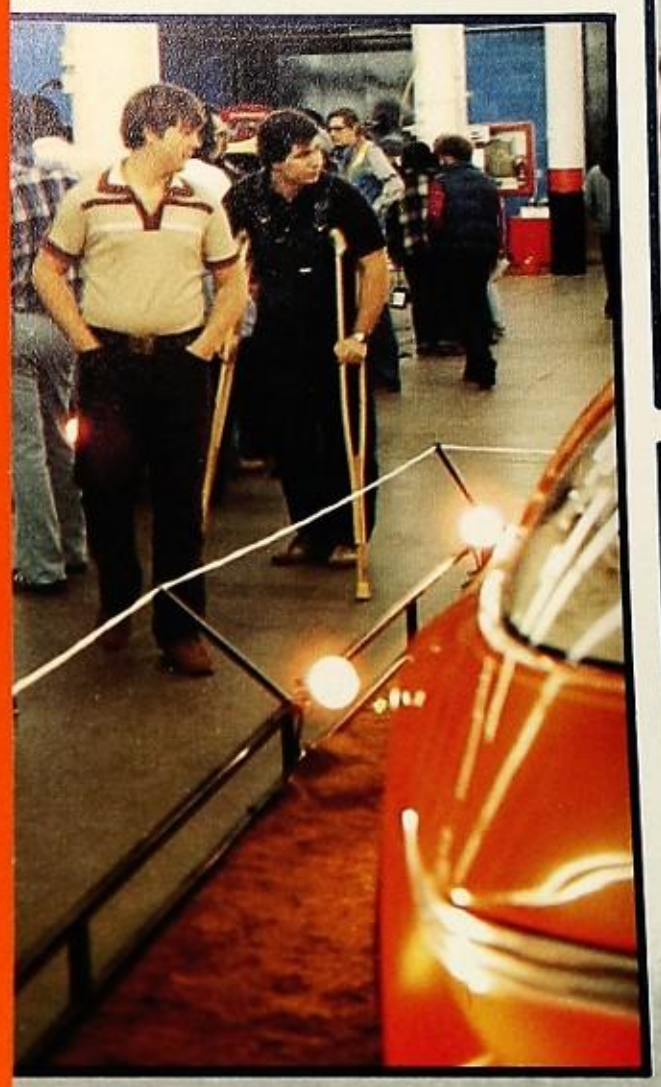
The blue flame. Cadet Greg McBride uses a Bunsen burner to separate salts in Chemistry I.

Mr. Fix It. Ted Harber repairs a snowblade during Welding class.



Cruisin' Confer. Spending his spare time on a snowmobile, Pat Confer winds through Rose Ann Heights. Photographer Alan Tripp zooms in on the rearview mirror.

Doesn't that look racy? Doug Newhouse and Brian Walda tour the Rod and Custom Show at the Memorial Coliseum.



Shuttled Scheckel. Steve Scheckel knows that riding the bus in the morning means arriving at school before daybreak.

Easley done. Dan Easley makes riding a unicycle look easy, but a successful solo flight requires lots of practice.

TRANSPORTATION

Early in the morning it was still dark, for the sun hadn't come up. The parking lot was bare except for some broken bottles in different places. A pair of headlights coming from the south on Norwell Road pulled into the south entrance and came to a stop in the back row along the curb. Another car turned onto Norwell Road from Highway 224 and pulled into the parking lot at the north entrance, stationing itself beside the first car.

After more cars had come, the spectacle began. The hot rods went into action, spinning tires and doing doughnuts on the south end of the lot. But by 7:55 a.m., everyone had parked and was trying to beat the first period bell. The lot that had been empty earlier was now full of Chevys, Pontiacs, Fords, Dodges, and Buicks owned by students or their parents.

The parking lot had a lot to do with students' transportation. Without it, they couldn't have driven to school. And it served its purpose for many other things.

There was only one other way to make it to school without driving or riding in a car — that was by riding the school bus. Hundreds of students rode the bus to and from school, but most were freshmen and sophomores who didn't have a driver's license.

Most of those who had a license hit the town. The car was used for many things. A lot of people used it for going to ballgames and dances. When students skipped school, they usually couldn't stay home because mom was there. So they had to use a car to get them to Fort Wayne, where everyone usually went. On weekends there were parties to go to, and what usually got everyone to them? The car.

A lot of miles were put on cars even though gas pump prices were around $1.30 and expected to go up even more. Quite a few big cars were still being used, but the little cars seemed to take over.

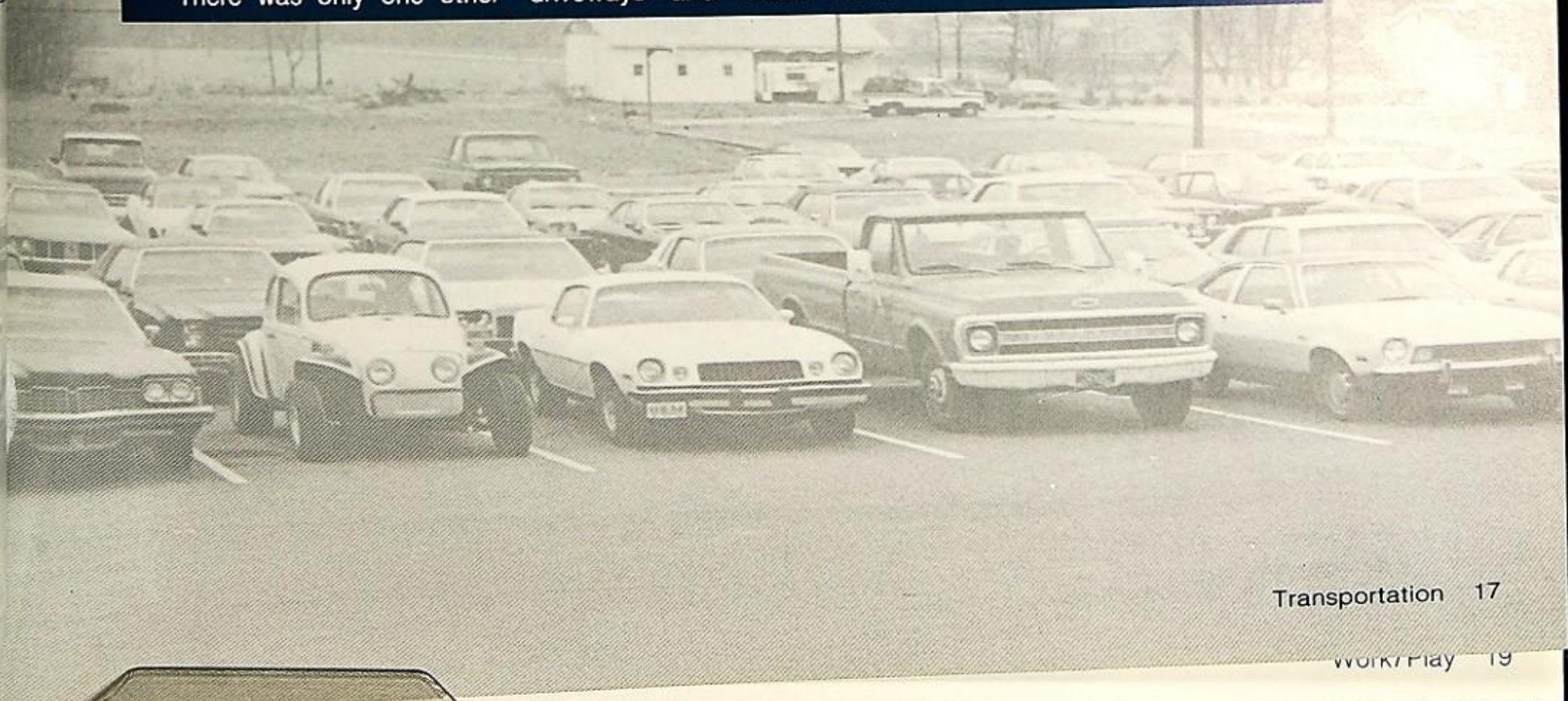
Cars weren't the only means of transportation. A snowmobile was sometimes the only way of getting to town when driveways and roads were drifted over. A few guys rode them to school and parked them just outside the commons. Snowmobiles had to be registered for road use, and quite a few snowmobilers got pulled over to make sure they had their vehicles registered.

There were other ways of getting around, but these were mainly for recreation. Bikes and unicycles were used to ride around on or to go to the store, if the peddler lived in town or near it.

Special means of getting around at school were necessary for students with a broken leg or ankle. Wheelchairs and crutches were invaluable to the injured.

People went to see the Rod and Custom Show at the Memorial Coliseum. Shiny cars with chrome-plated engines that had blowers, headers, and sidepipes were displayed. These cars were used more for show than for getting around.

When a student's car, snowmobile, bike or cycle broke down and wouldn't go, he still had man's basic means of transportation — legs.



Spark-o-matic. While sanding off a rear quarter panel at Bob Bate Chevrolet, Tony Bate throws off sparks.

Pampering with Pampers. Mike Rohr stocks up on baby diapers for customers' convenience at Gerber's.

Watch your step. Brian Dafforn rearranges the back room at Gerber's Super Valu.

Hard-working carpenter. Kurt Vardaman spent part of his summer vacation helping construct a barn in Michigan.

Nine till five. Kevin Ingle punches out after a tiring afternoon of work at Maloley's.

Service with a smile. Two customers receive friendly service from waitress Lora Leimenstoll at the Toll Gate Restaurant in Bluffton.

All work and know how to play

A day's work, a day's pay

School ended at 2:30 p.m., and many students hit the road for work or went home to get a bite to eat before going. When it came time to punch in the time card, the student was ready for work.

Part-time jobs involved different types of work. They ranged from delivering newspapers to working in a garage on cars. Maloley's, Gerber's, McDonald's, Dairy Queen, Caylor-Nickel Clinic, and Bob Bate Chevrolet were a few businesses around that hired teen-agers for part-time work. The number of working hours was usually small so that students would not neglect their studies, but this was not always the case. Some students even worked until midnight.

No matter how long those nights were, they seemed to have been worthwhile when payday arrived, but along with the biweekly paycheck came the biweekly decisions on what to do with the green stuff.

Hard-earned money was used for gas to make it back and forth to work. A lot was spent on records, tapes, movies, parties, and dates, but some students put a lot in savings accounts for future needs.

Just like everything else, jobs had their pros and cons. These were what made students go to or quit work. One of the disadvantages of part-time work was that it took study and personal time away from the student. Taxes had to be paid by April 15, but most students had gotten their tax money back by then.

On the brighter side, students earned money to spend as they wished. The cash enabled them to buy things they would have been unable to obtain without a job. The job got them out of the house for a few hours, too, and that was helpful at times. Moreover, it gave the student experience for future work in life.

All work and know how to play

A time for breaking away

Although students often worried about what to do for a vocation in life, at times they were more worried about what to do over vacations. A lot of times there wasn't much to do, other than sitting around home on a day off. After eating out the refrigerator and getting bored with television, most would look for other ways to entertain themselves, such as taking their horse out for a ride or riding their motorcycle.

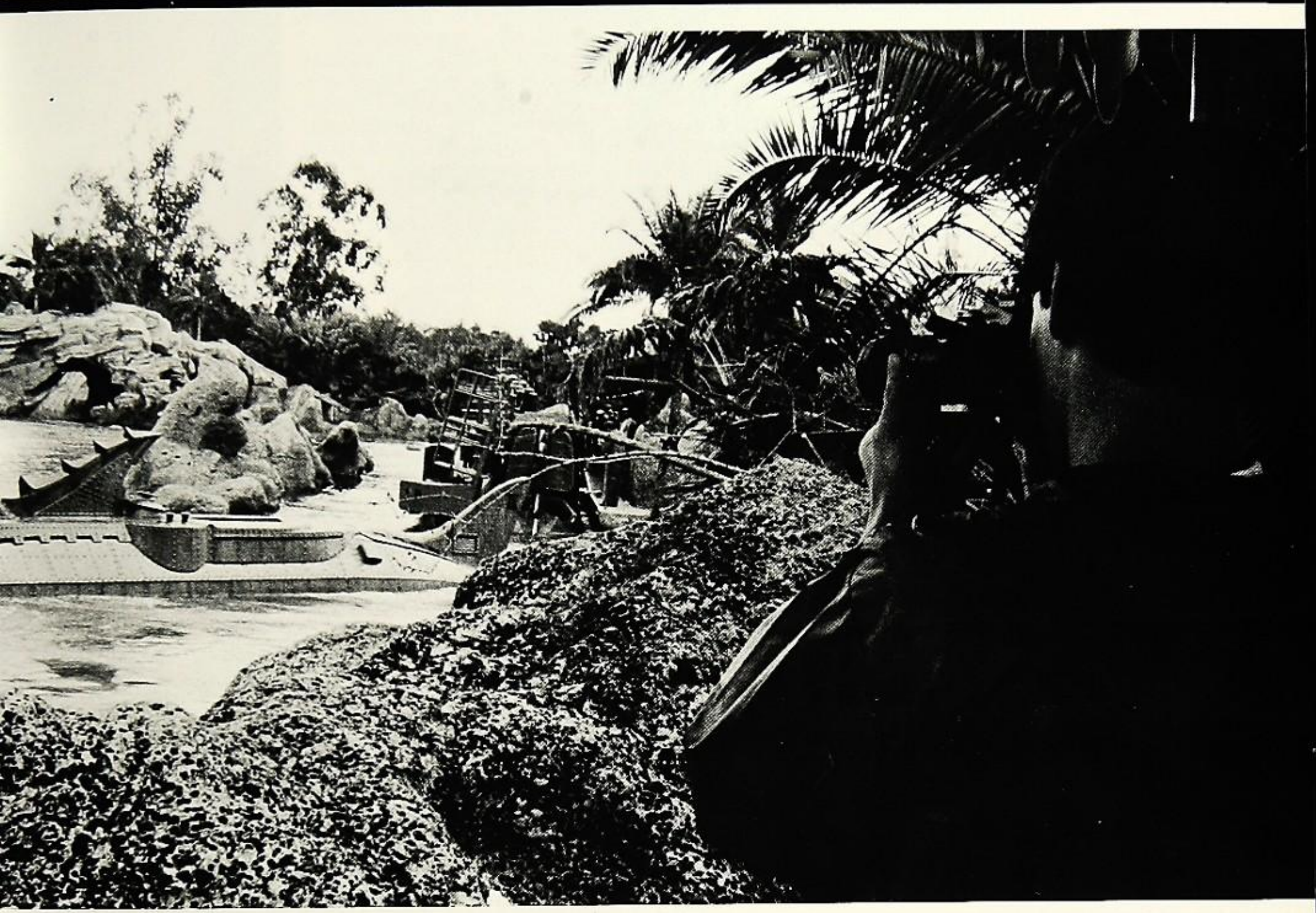
On Thanksgiving many students, their families, and appetites visited relatives to gobble up turkey. On Christmas they packed presents into the car and visited relatives again.

The most famous vacation, though not the longest, was the week of spring break. Quite a few students used the week to go to Florida. They spent hundreds of dollars on hotels, Walt Disney World, Sea World, gas, and souvenirs. Fortunately, there was not a fee to go out on the beaches to absorb as much sunlight as possible in an attempt to come home looking the darkest.

It was a real relief to get away from school for a few days at a time. The day-after-day routine really got to be boring, so everyone enjoyed the vacations even if they did not go anywhere. In-between vacations, students returned to school to continue preparing for a vocation.

Kimmo's first Thanksgiving. Since Kimmo Ruotsalainen is from Finland, he had never had a Thanksgiving dinner. So while staying with Mike Gray and his family, Kimmo got to cut the turkey on Thanksgiving Day.

Ride like the wind. Shelly Rhodes rides her six-year-old horse during spring break.



20,000 leagues away from Norwell. Craig Plummer takes pictures at Walt Disney World during spring vacation.

Now, where does this go? Sophomore Thomas Woodward repairs his Kawasaki during spring break so that he can let the good times roll later.

The look that's looked at

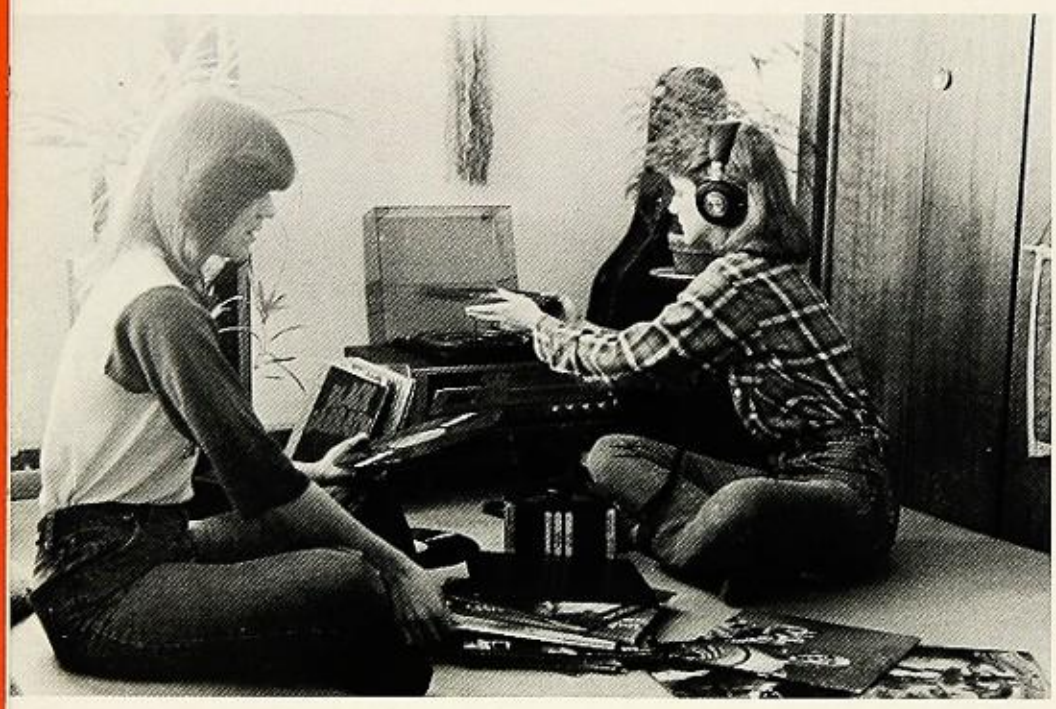
In 1975, if someone had worn cowboy apparel (hats, boots, and stitched shirts) to a basketball game, people would have said he was a "hick." But this year this outfit was in style. At basketball games a lot of people wore western hats and boots.

Not only was cowboy apparel popular, but electronic quartz watches — the ones with an alarm, calendar, stop watch, and other features of luxury — were in high demand also. Everyone liked the little beepers on the watch — especially when they went off in the middle of class and bugged the teacher. They were really handy when you wanted to take a nap and wake up at a certain time.

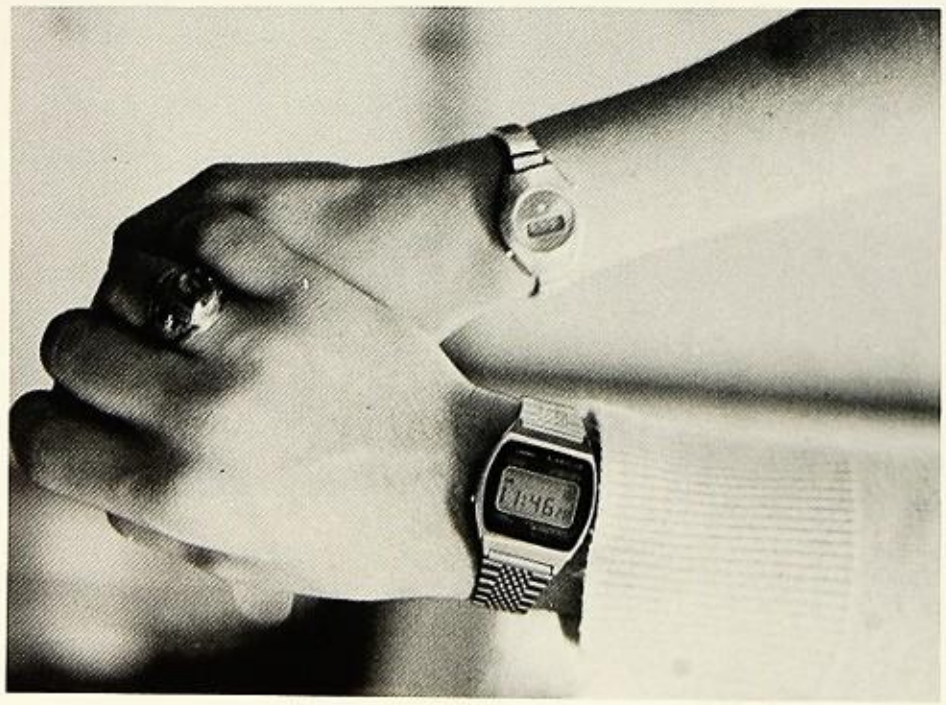
The most dramatic news event of the year — the release of the hostages minutes after Ronald Reagan was sworn into the presidency — also brought about a fashion. Yellow ribbons were displayed to welcome home the hostages from Iran. Norwell had a day solely to wear yellow, so students wore yellow shirts, pants, socks, armbands, and ribbons tied to belt loops or pinned on.

Many fads and fashions were in and out. Shirts with lace around the neck, economy cars, plaid pleated pants, designer jeans, and midnight movies all added a bit of variety to the grinding year.

Remember the hostages! Yellow ribbons were tied around the trees in front of school to welcome home the hostages from Iran. Students wore yellow ribbons too.



"Turn that stereo down!" Linda Barr wears headphones to keep from hearing that familiar phrase from her parents while twin sister Susan Barr picks out records to play next.



Arm alarms. Quartz digital watches that go "beep!" in the night (and day) were worn by many students.

An Oreo cookie. Stick pins were in, and they came in many shapes and sizes, like the Oreo cookie Rhonda Mahlie is wearing.

Urban cowboys. The increase in demand for cowboy boots brought an increase in price.

A stitch in time. Brenda Bauermeister rushes to finish sewing her dress in time for the prom.

You're invited! Denise Shropshire passes out prom invitations to Robin Steele and Jeannie Stauffer.

Linda Lesh stops by Country Squire Florist to pick up a flower for her prom date.

A work tux? A sure sign that the prom is near is the appearance of students like Craig Plummer who model tuxes for local clothing stores. Craig and Richard Thomas are working on a project for Construction I.

Not a spot of dirt. Steve Douglass looks his Trans Am over to make sure it's "all dressed" for the prom.

Pre-prom plans

What makes everyone want to spend approximately 60 hours of hard-earned money for only five hours of dinner and dancing? This was the question many juniors and seniors had to think about as they waited for prom night to come.

As May 2 slowly crept near, preparations were being made to get ready for the big occasion. Various boutiques were being looked over to find the attire for the formal evening.

In the graphic arts room, students were busy printing tickets, invitations, and programs. Decoration and programming committees were organized and held meetings early in the morning before school.

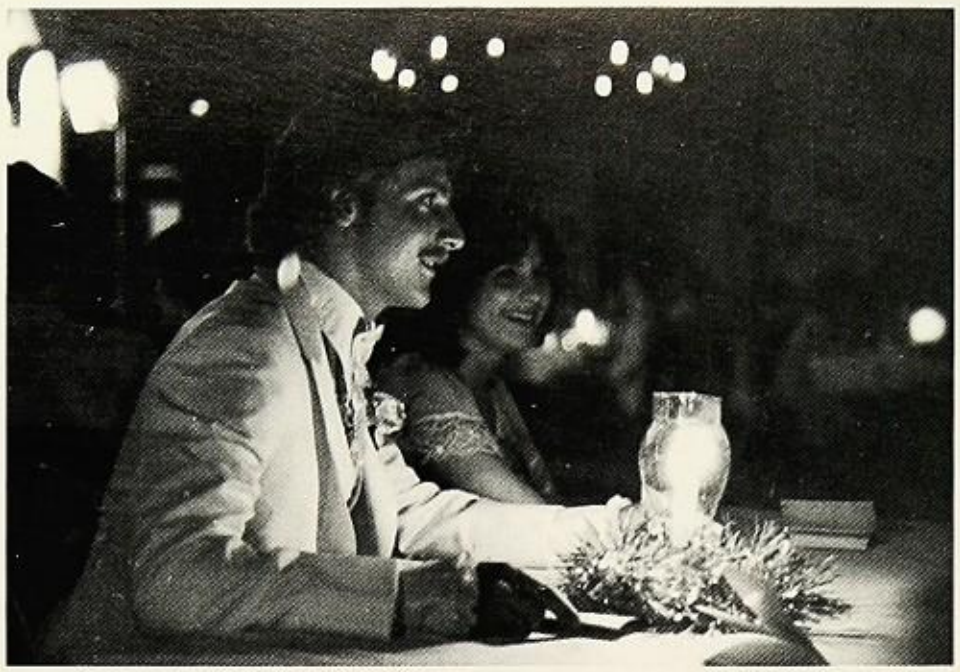
Next was the big rush to the florist. Carnations, roses, and babies'-breath were the most popular flowers ordered for boutonnieres, corsages, and nosegays.

Then, there was the big day of the prom. It was filled with the last-minute details of picking up the flower, washing the car, getting your hair done, and looking for that lost shoe and shining it.

Finally . . . you were ready to go. The shiny, waxed carriage pulled up in your drive. As dates exchanged flowers, pictures were snapped by the parents, and then it was off for the time of your life . . .

Early morning meeting. Stacy Kitchin and Mrs. White discuss decoration details during a 7:30 a.m. prom meeting for Junior Class sponsors.

Romantic flame. Andrew Antrim and Kelly St. John sit out this dance to sit in the candlelight.



Presenting presents. Doug Weikel gives gifts to King Richard Thomas and Queen Becky Mankey.

'A Time for Us'

It was "A Time for Us" to remember, as each junior and senior prom-goer entered the Marriott's balloon-decorated ballroom. While we waited for the food to be served, we chatted with our fellow friends and commented on the beautiful attire they were wearing that evening.

Doug Weikel, president of the Junior Class, gave the greeting to all, and Gigi Delgado said a prayer.

It was then time to feast on the many dishes prepared. Each table was set with mixed fruit and punch. Waitresses brought platters of tossed salad and rolls. The main course of the meal included roast beef, buttered broccoli, and a baked potato. For those who could manage to keep on eating, orange sherbet was served for dessert.

With full stomachs, couples slowly proceeded to join the outdoor promenade while the ballroom was set up for the royal crowning.

Coronation of the king and queen began with the introduction of queen candidates Jeannie Stauffer, Billi Frauhiger, Lisa Tarr, Becky Mankey, and Janice Walmsley, and king candidates Jeff Miller, Mark Fiechter, Stacy Hoffacker, Richard Thomas, and Kimmo Ruotsalainen.

Doug Weikel then announced the king and queen: Richard Thomas and Becky Mankey. Becky received roses and a sash, while Richard received a sash. Each candidate, along with the king and queen, received a gift.

Becky and Richard led the first dance, The Edge's rendition of "A Time for Us." The other members of the royal court also joined in on the dance.

The remainder of the evening was spent socializing, dancing, and getting pictures taken.

First dance. Royal court members Mark Fiechter, Janice Walmsley, Becky Mankey, Richard Thomas, Stacy Hoffacker, Billi Frauhiger, Jeff Miller, and Jeannie Stauffer lead the first dance.

Tears of gladness. Stacy Kitchin, Janice Walmsley, and Shelli Burton surround Queen Becky Mankey to congratulate her.

Topping it all off. John Schnieders enters the Marriott with his top hat, cane, gloves, and tux.

Students who give academic

Norwell's academic achievers were honored May 5 at the annual Awards Day program in the auditorium.

The top 10 students in the Class of '81 were recognized in reverse order: 10) Craig Baumgartner; 9) Mark Fiechter; 8) Greg Van Meter; 7) Mark Osborn; 6) Jeff Miller; 5) Anthony Hoch; 4) Lynda McAfee; 3) Dave Rupel; 2) Janice Walmsley, and 1) Ann Strehler.

Ann and Janice received an award for being valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively.

On the basis of Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores and grade point averages, the State Student Assistance Commission declared 24 NHS seniors to be Hoosier Scholars: Andrew Antrim, Marc Ash, Ronda Bauermeister, Tina Bauermeister, Craig Baumgartner, Mark Fiechter, Karen Fox, Rob Graham, Anthony Hoch, Doug Mason, Lynda McAfee, Greg McBride, Jeff Miller, Lyle Null, Mark Osborn, Mona Reinhard, Dave Rupel, Ann Strehler, Lisa Tarr, Greg Van Meter, Brian Walda, Janice Walmsley, Bob Weaver, and Colin Werling.

For the 14th year in a row, each department gave a Golden Shield Award to the student who contributed most to that department during the year.

Golden Shield recipients and the department for which they received the award are listed below.

Cari Todd — art
Dawn Lambert — business
Dave Rupel — language arts
Jon Hartigan — band
Lisa Tarr — foreign language
Stacy Hoffacker — choral
Doug Newhouse — industrial arts
Anthony Hoch — science
Rick Weikel — boys' physical education
Becky Mankey — girls' physical education
Greg Van Meter — social science
Kimberly Sink — home economics
Ann Strehler — math

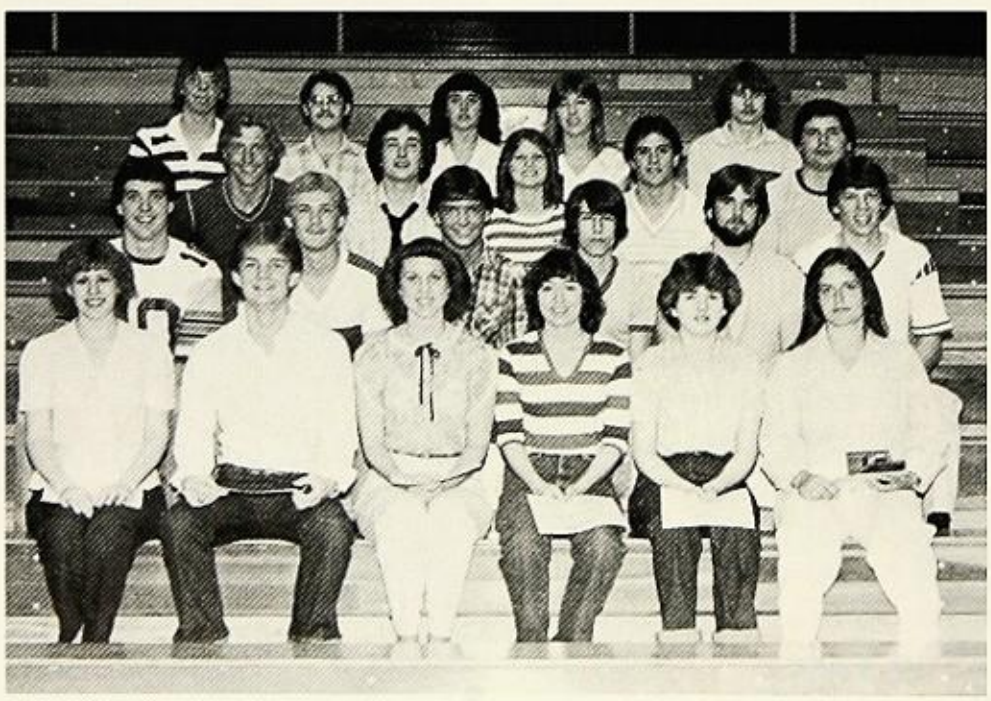
Sonja Swihart received the Music Honors Award from the Choral Department.

The John Philip Sousa Band Award went to Ann Strehler and Tonya Baumgardner.

Nine students received pins and membership cards for the Norwell chapter of Quill and Scroll Society, an international honor society for high school journalists: Tammy Bate, Ronda Bauermeister, Don Bentz, Angie Binkley, Nancy Borne, Kim Kaufman, Marcie Lacy, Mark Osborn, and Alan Tripp.

Winners of the 1981 Headliner Awards, a newspaper contest sponsored by the Fort Wayne chapter of Women in Communications, Inc., (WICI) and the *Journal-Gazette*, were announced.

Mark Osborn won the Cliff Milnor Award, which is the contest's top writing award. He also won first place in the editorial category and second place in sports writing.



Hoosier Scholars. FRONT ROW: Lynda McAfee, Dave Rupel, Karen Fox, Lisa Tarr, Mona Reinhard, Ann Strehler. SECOND ROW: Jeff Miller, Greg Van Meter, Greg McBride, Marc Ash, Anthony Hoch, Craig Baumgartner. THIRD ROW: Andrew Antrim, Mark Osborn, Janice Walmsley, Mark Fiechter, Brian Walda. BACK ROW: Colin Werling, Lyle Null, Ronda Bauermeister, Tina Bauermeister, Bob Weaver. NOT PICTURED: Rob Graham, Doug Mason.

Scholarship/Special Award Winners. FRONT ROW: Shelley Price, Cindy Polley, Tonya Baumgardner, Ann Strehler, Becky Andrews, Shari Hoopingarner. MIDDLE ROW: Lynda McAfee, Greg Van Meter, Sonja Swihart, Tina Jahn, Beth Burkhart. BACK ROW: Cari Todd, Janice Walmsley, Diana Runion, Lora Leimenstoll, Bob Weaver. NOT PICTURED: Andy Newcomer, Joe Welches.

Golden Shield Winners. FRONT ROW: Becky Mankey, Jon Hartigan, Dave Rupel, Lisa Tarr, Ann Strehler. MIDDLE ROW: Cari Todd, Greg Van Meter, Anthony Hoch, Stacy Hoffacker. BACK ROW: Rick Weikel, Doug Newhouse, Dawn Lambert, Kimberly Sink.

award-winning performances

Honorable mention in the layout and design category went to Angie Binkley and Joni Crapser. Angie also won second place in feature writing.

Don Bentz received honorable mention in feature writing.

Jerry Wittwer placed in all three photography categories. He won first place in both sports and feature photography, and he came in second in news photography.

Outstanding Newspaper Editor Award was given to Mark Osborn, and Outstanding Yearbook Editor Award went to Jerry Wittwer.

Also recognized were the outstanding students — other than editor — on the newspaper and yearbook staffs. *Wavelength* photographer Jerry Wittwer received the Journalism Award, and two yearbook students tied for the Publications Award: Tammy Bate, sports editor, and Alan Tripp, head photographer.

A Cadet Award was presented to Serena Gass for her work on the senior section of the *Accolade*.

Scholarship winners were honored, too.

Cindy Polley was the recipient of an award from the American Legion Auxiliary.

Lynda McAfee won the Tri Kappa scholarship. She also received a Ball State University academic scholarship, which is renewable for four years.

Norwell Classroom Teachers' Association awarded a scholarship to Janice Walmsley.

The Farm Bureau Award went to Shelley Price.

A Manchester College $1,600 scholarship based on academic aptitude and performance standards was presented to Greg Van Meter, who also was given a letter of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Sonja Swihart was winner of the Psi Iota Xi scholarship. Psi Iota Xi also gave $120 each to Joe Welches and Andy Newcomer to be used at Indiana University summer music camps.

Bob Weaver received an award from the Kiwanis, and Ann Strehler won one from the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR).

Delta Theta Tau Award was presented to Shari Hoopingarner. The award is based on cooperativeness, good character, and the best attendance record over four years of high school.

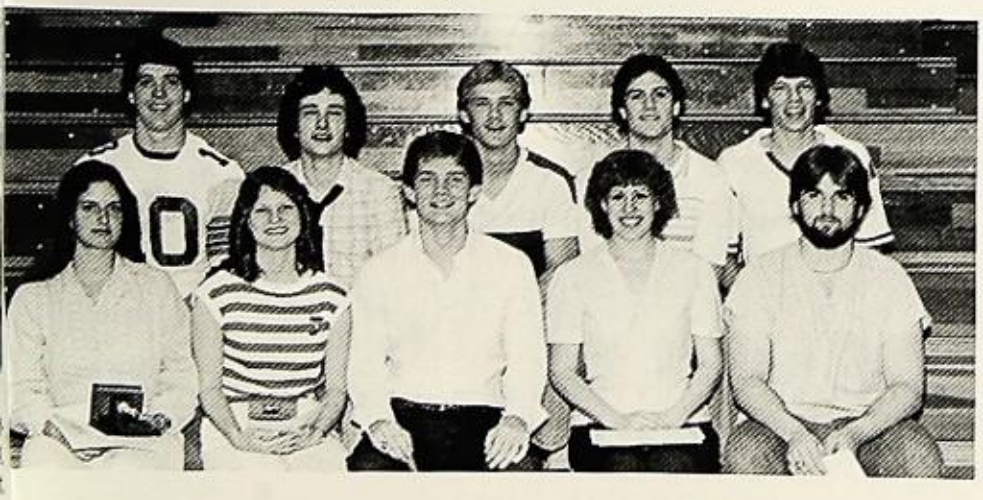
Ravens-Croft Beauty College gave Beth Burkhart a $200 grant, and Wayne University of Cosmetology awarded grants to three seniors: Diana Runion was given a full-tuition grant, while Becky Andrews and Lora Leimenstoll each received a half-tuition grant ($895).

Chamber of Commerce presented an award to Tina Jahn, and Art Club awarded a scholarship to Cari Todd.

The newspaper and yearbook staffs gave Mr. B. J. Almond a plaque of appreciation.

Yielding the Shield. Mr. Dormire presents the Golden Shield for foreign language to Lisa Tarr.

Top 10. FRONT ROW: Ann Strehler (valedictorian), Janice Walmsley (salutatorian), Dave Rupel (third), Lynda McAfee (fourth), Anthony Hoch (fifth). BACK ROW: Jeff Miller (sixth), Mark Osborn (seventh), Greg Van Meter (eighth), Mark Fiechter (ninth), Craig Baumgartner (tenth).



Headliner Awards/Quill and Scroll Society/Journalism Award Winners. FRONT ROW: Alan Tripp, Angie Binkley, Don Bentz, Marcie Lacy, Nancy Borne, Kim Kaufman. BACK ROW: Jerry Wittwer, Mark Osborn, Tammy Bate, Serena Gass, Ronda Bauermeister.

Escorted by Mr. Sailsbery, Shari Hoopingarner receives the Delta Theta Tau Award from Mrs. Janice Gryzch.

Discovering new shores

When we were in elementary and junior high school, we longed to get to the "big times" of high school, which we were sure would bring constant excitement.

We watched our older brothers and sisters bringing home their friends, and when we overheard many telephone conversations about dating, we looked forward to getting older. As we tagged along with Mom and Dad at the basketball games, we could hardly wait to sit in the pep block and be with "the crowd."

After our first year of high school finally arrived, we realized school wasn't all constant excitement because we found out it wasn't all play. So we looked ahead to being seniors and to having the seniors' free, easy-life privileges.

As seniors, we looked forward to getting out on our own and to going to college — unitl the "last syndrome" set in. We suddenly realized this would be our *last* class competition and our *last* home ballgame, and even our *last* test seemed kind of sad.

The final *last*ing memory came May 17: graduation.

Each senior walked into the crowded gym, nervously smiling and trying not to rush too fast or pace too slow to the beat of "Fanfare and Processional," played by the Wind Ensemble.

After President Mark Osborn gave the invocation, senior choir members sang "I Made It Through the Rain."

Then Janice Walmsley, in her salutatory speech, compared the lives of the graduates to Columbus' and his challenges to find new shores.

Wind Ensemble's performance of "Cambridge Overture" bridged the gap between the salutatory and valedictory addresses.

Valedictorian Ann Strehler analyzed the seniors' past and what they had gone through during their high school career.

"The Hands of Time," a duet sung by Lisa Tarr and Lani Johnson, followed Ann's speech.

Principal Lex Dormire then congratulated the Class of '81 and named the top 10 and the 24 Hoosier Scholars. Next, he and Superintendent John McBride handed out diploma folders. When the signal was given, the graduates moved their tassels from left to right.

The Reverend Daniel L. Steiner of the Calvary Lutheran Church recited benediction.

Wind Ensemble played "Fanfare and Recessional" as the ex-seniors moved out of the gym and headed for the cafeteria, where they traded in their caps and gowns for diplomas.

For 176 people, this was the end of 12 years of work and dedication for a small piece of paper that says they learned their readin', writin', and 'rithmetic.

But those 12 years also gave them something else — the courage to lose sight of the shore in order to discover new oceans.

Turning of the tassels. Grins and smiles appear on the faces of seniors as tassels are turned from left to right.

With a torn ligament, Kent Meyer struggles up to the stage to receive his diploma from Mr. McBride.

Last gathering for the grads. Ready for the ceremony to begin are 176 seniors.

Going for it. Lorin Best, Darrell Betts, and Angela Brindle rush to receive their diplomas.

Saluting the salutatorian. Janice Walmsley gives her speech on the grads' future.

Recording memories. Ann Strehler records her valedictory address about the grads' past.

Making a gown payment. After turning in her cap and gown, Tina Jahn waits to receive her diploma from Miss Flannery.

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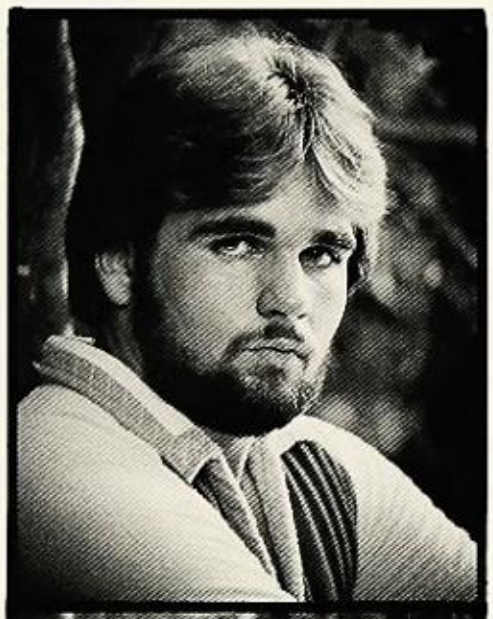

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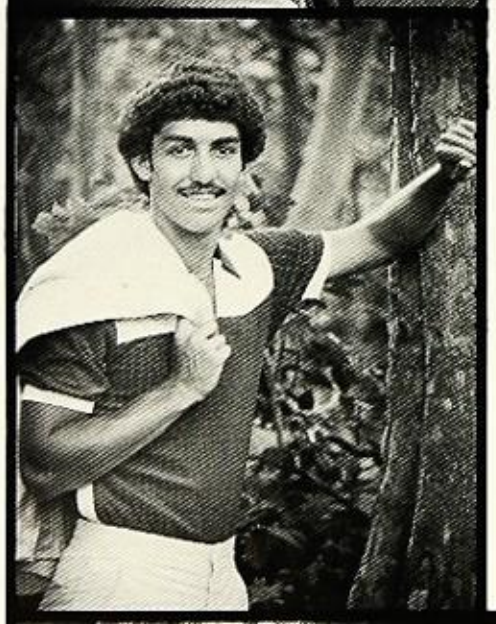

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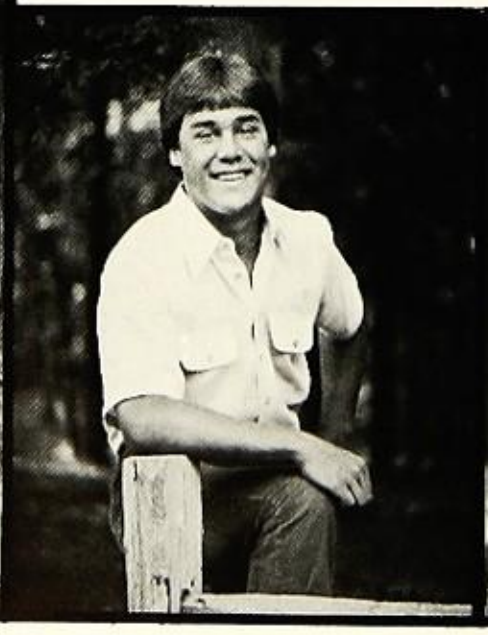

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The winner takes it all. Scott Hoffacker receives $5 from Ms. Bach for best costume at the International Club's dance. Looking on are Susan Barr, Rich Cinninger, Jody Owens, Linda Barr, and Lyle Null.

Goin' bananas. David Ploughe goes ape while Stu Miller sets his eyes on the "fruit of the room" during Thespians' production of "Monkey Business," a Carol Burnett sketch.

CLUBS

Screaming, selling Coke, makin' like a monkey, and eating out were some of the activities clubs engaged in. Students joined these extracurricular organizations for many reasons, including to form a better understanding of science and culture through Bio Kappa, Science Club, Art Club, and International Club.

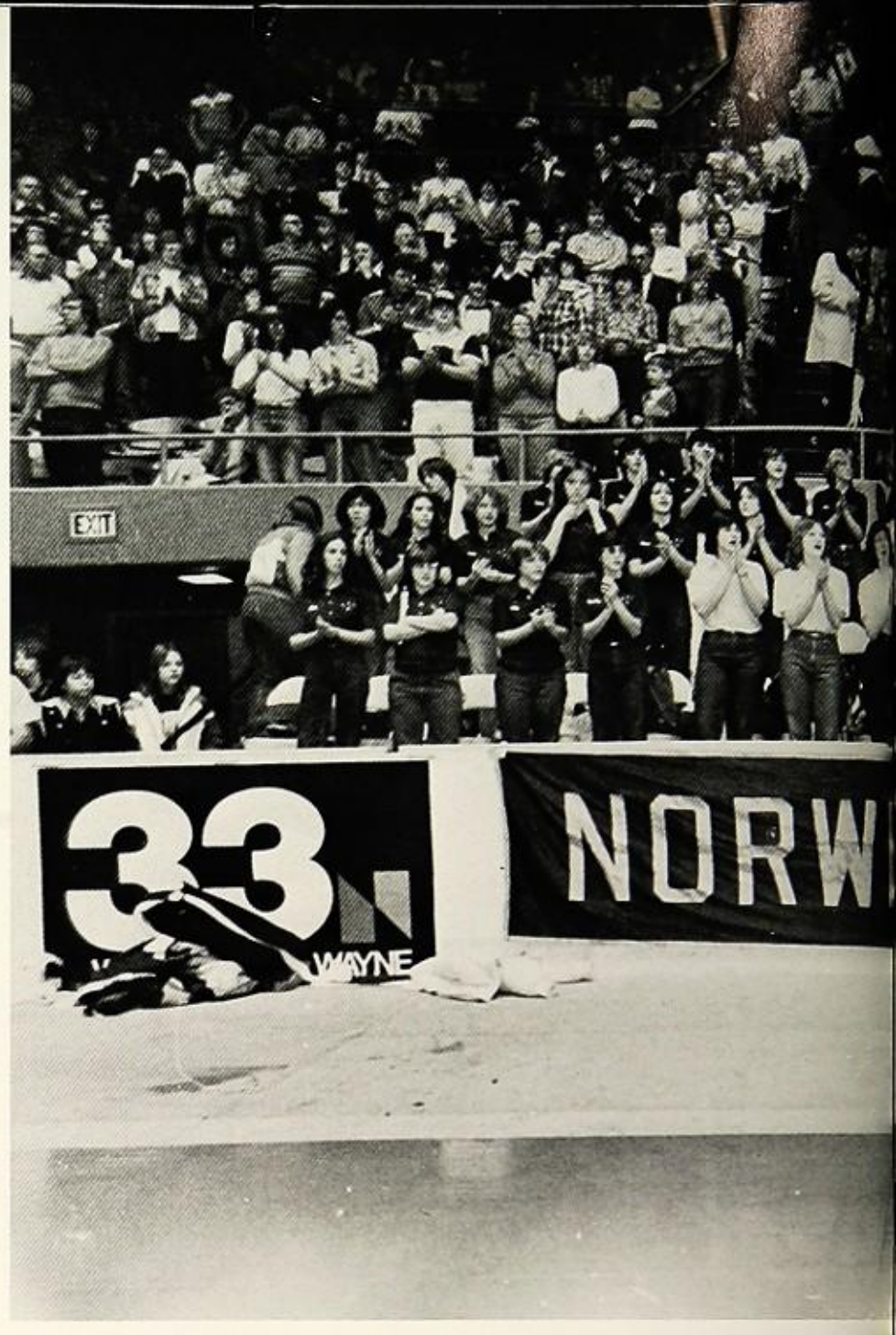
To gain recognition by entertaining, some students developed their talents in Thespians, Chamber Singers, Brass Impact, and Grande Illusion. Those who wanted to earn money to donate to a good cause became Hi-Y or SunShine members.

Some students found themselves elected or selected to join such groups as Student Council or National Honor Society. Others found themselves resorting to Knight clubs just for fun, as in Pep Club, intramural basketball, and Bowling Club.

Besides the specific reason for joining a club, there was the obvious motive of just wanting to be with friends, and that was cause enough to stay after school for club activities. Being a club member seemed to be a big part of high school life. And even though we only took it for granted then, we realize now that *Knight life . . . is the best life!*

Way to go! Shelley Price, Shari Hoopingarner, Catherine Connett, Susan Nahrwold and Diana Runion applaud the ACAC Tourney champs.

They only come out for Knights. Pep Club, along with other basketball fans, support Norwell at the ACAC Tourney in Fort Wayne.



Pointing their team toward a victory. Both the boys' and the girls' pep blocks cheer for the football team.

Pep Club (freshmen and sophomores). FRONT ROW: Carolyn Kipp, Lisa Carrico, Kelly Stabler, Deb Tonner, Kathy Crozier, Stasi Decker, Tami Decker, Lori Eichler, Ann Franke, Amy Brane, Shelley Grubb, Janice Freiburger, Susan Hudson, Karen Neuenschwander, Linda Ely, Bridget Henry, Pam Fisher. SECOND ROW: Lisa Rekeweg, Jennifer Dunnuck, Julie Jesse, Dawn Denney, Marva Haines, Kelli McGlone, Tonya Slater, Lisa Osborn, Debbie Teeters, Melissa Roberts, Julie Gibson, Jacque Morris, Bobbi Monnot, Regina Maidens, Leah Quackenbush, Kim Coty, Julie Satterthwaite. THIRD ROW: Beth Wallis, Lee Spahr, Tammy Sizemore, Rhonda Scheckel, Julie Burton, Stephanie Shilling, Kelly Scott, Bonnie Bryant, Nancy Schuerenberg, Lisa Crouch, Laura Shumaker, Tami Hoover, Joanne Lydy, Cozy Runkel. FOURTH ROW: Wendi Hoover, Kim Urshel, Beth Eckelbarger, Dee Dee Wilson, Trudie Bauermeister, Charlotte Deetz, Anita Earhart, Angie Brubaker, Amy Ellerman, Sally Brindle, Dawn Garcia, Jackie Reimschisel, Kris Gordon, Cindy Ruch, Chris Haneline. FIFTH ROW: Sarah Confer, Lori Johnson, Debbie Meek, Tina Stephens, Laura Carnes, Tami Gerber, Robin Fisher, Carla Crane, Joy Baumgartner, Sheryl Schaefer, Cassy Polley, Julie Teagle, Cathy Ramsey. SIXTH ROW: Tessy Dyar, Tena Fosnight, Linda Jauregui, Dawn Casselman, DeeDee Glass, Brenda Hoffman, Sandy Bricker, Tammy Kaufman, Mandy Patterson, Laura Ball, Elaine Steffen, Rachel Gerber, Chris Gregor. BACK ROW: Dawn Schumacher, Joy McAfee, Lisa Hunteman, Cathleen O'Connell, Teresa Sizemore, Tami Patten, Julie Hedges, Tina Delgado, Kristi Prichard, Angie Smith.

Let's get rowdy!

It's the fourth quarter. There are 45 seconds left on the clock. The Knights intercept a pass.

Everybody stands up and begins to clap. The girls in Pep Club yell, "Let's get rowdy!" The fans are excited, and the louder pep block gets, the more excited the fans become.

Now 10 seconds are left on the clock. Norwell is ahead by one. Pep Club is still yelling. As the countdown begins, there's only one thing running through everybody's mind: We have to win!

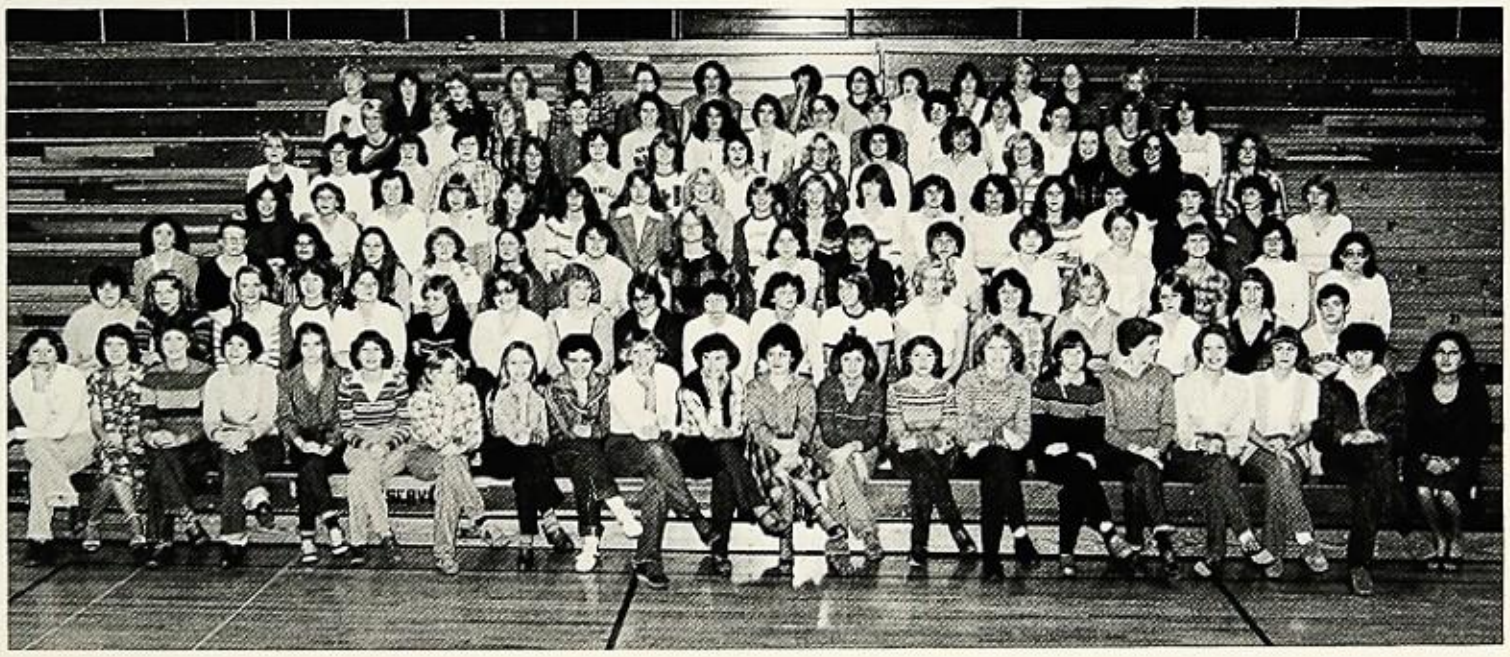
FIVE . . . FOUR . . . THREE . . . TWO . . . ONE. We've won! The crowd goes wild. Pep block starts to shout, "We're No. 1."

This was a typical experience of Pep Club members. The club's new sponsor, Miss Erin Flannery, said, "I think the girls at Norwell have a lot of spirit."

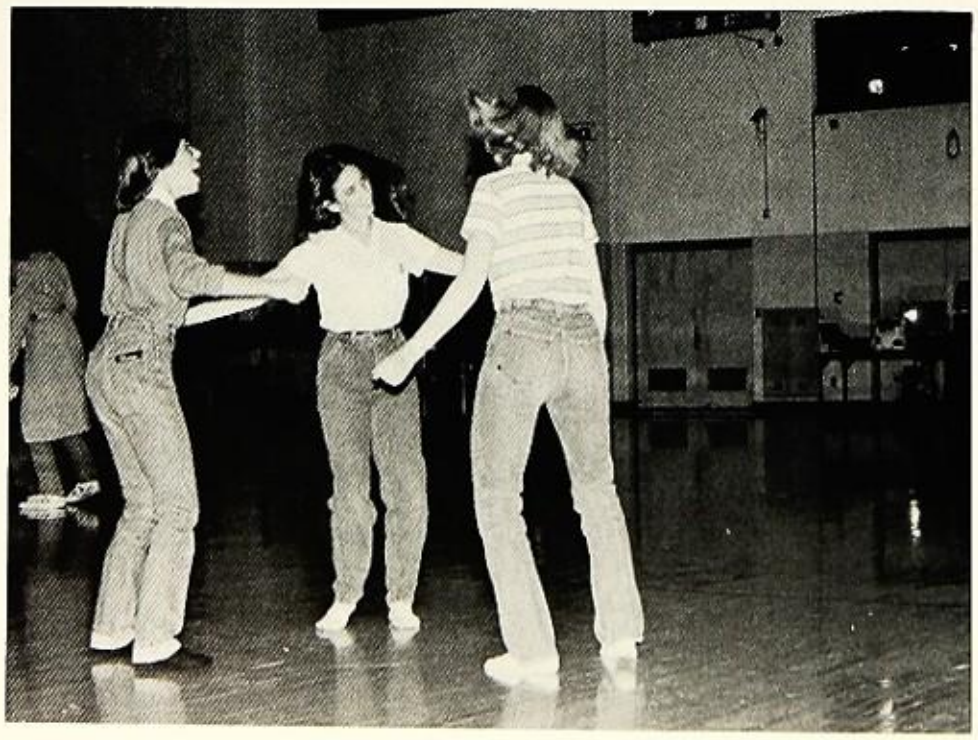
Pep Club met during homerooms to discuss upcoming games and new chants.

Why do girls join Pep Club? Most girls said, "I like being in a group of rowdy kids, and it's fun."

Deep in thought. Cindy Dunwiddie, Jamie Lassiter, and Angela Brindle concentrate on the game.



Pep Club (juniors and seniors). FRONT ROW: Clarene Eversole, Jennifer Bear, Kim Archbold, Pam Reeves, Linda Kreigh, Linda Lesh, Denise Shropshire (president), Terri Davison (vice president), Jill Sollberger (assistant treasurer), Kristie Barkley (treasurer), Michelle DeHoff (secretary), Shelly Kaufman, Sheila Herman, Teresa Burke, Cheri Franke, Billi Frauhiger, Kelli Kummer, Amy Grabner, Tonya DeBolt, Susan Nahrwold, Miss Erin Flannery (sponsor). SECOND ROW: Jan Gilbert, Connie Hanlon, Deb Lipp, Lisa Tarr, Amy Isnogle, Deb Frauhiger, Julie Lockwood, Tami Dyson, Vicki Baumgartner, Robin Steele, Dawn Haynie, Angie Roy, Tammy Shively, Kimberly Sink, Lorie McClain, Angela Steffen, Karen Fox, Shari Hoopingarner. THIRD ROW: Ronda Bauermeister, Teri Renner, Janie Guzman, Pam McKee, Tammy Phipps, Billie Miller, Angela Brindle, Charlene Ramsey, Catherine Connett, Jamie Lassiter, Diana Runion, Mona Reinhard, Shelley Price, Janice Walmsley, Cindy Polley, Laurie Ferguson. FOURTH ROW: Rhonda Levitz, Becky Mankey, Stacy Kitchin, Paula Wolf, Patty Dillon, Sheri Reeves, Denise Scheumann, Tammy Bate, Cheri Decker, Dawn Bauermeister, Susan Hadley, Julie Prichard, Rhoda Pugh, Colleen Lund, Audrey Cureton, Jill Gerber, Christina Ramsey. FIFTH ROW: Sandy Cook, Jenny Cupp, LuAnn Hiday, Paula Ealing, Michele Stohler, Jennifer Scheckel, Lori Van Meter, Renee Gerber, Angie Shilling, Robin Kling, Julie Dian, Cheryl Crellin, Angie Binkley, Dana Sadler, Cheri Tracey. SIXTH ROW: Julie Morris, Shelley Newbury, Rhonda Graft, Cami Crane, Julie Mossburg, Gigi Delgado, Shelli Burton, Kay Ann Rogers, Abby Norris, Alice Bradley, Jennifer Beckman, Konnie Hyde, Linda Barr, Jody Owens. BACK ROW: Teresa Fishbaugh, Sherri Allen, Gina Dyson, Deanna Jackson, Julie Meyer, Sheila Settle, Leticia Lopez, Carrie Cushman, Cathy Cook, April Garcia, Sherri Reffeitt, Rhonda Mahlie.



Doin' the L.A. freak. Joy Baumgartner, Julie Gibson, and Elaine Steffen have a blast at International Club's dance.

Waiting for the waitress. Ms. Bach, Brenda Taylor, Linda Barr, Susan Barr, and Julie Morris engage in conversation at Bandido's.

Dinin′ and dancin′

How can one go to a foreign country for supper and be back in time to meet his 11 p.m. curfew?

It's very simple; join International Verein. (What's *Verein?* It's the German word for *club.*)

International Club members dined at Bandido's one night. "The restaurant had a very nice atmosphere and the service was very good," said club member Cozy Runkel.

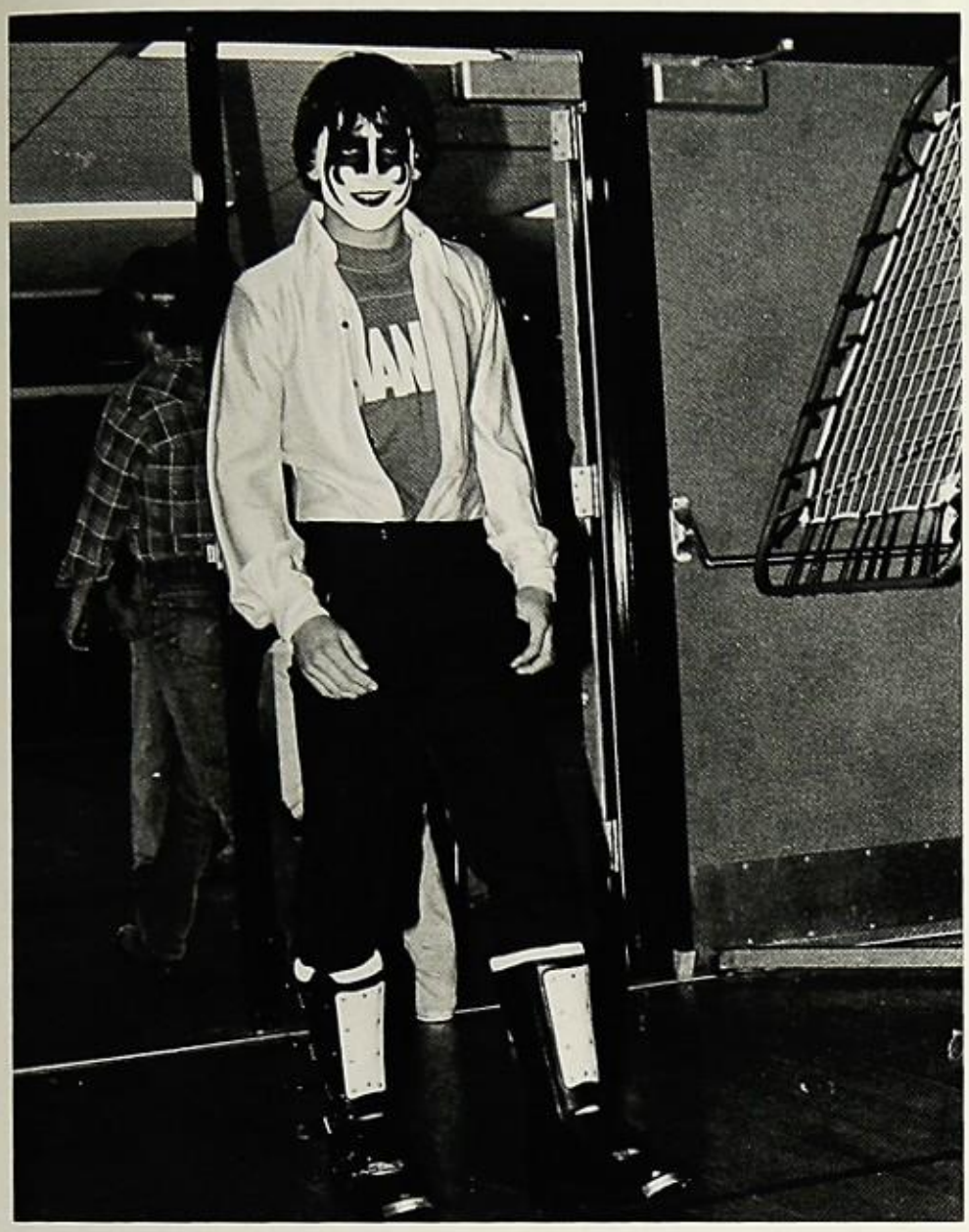
This group of "artificial foreigners" sponsored a costume dance in the gym April 3. "It was a lot of fun to see kids dressed up," said Rhonda Scheckel, another club member.

The best costume award at the dance went to Scott Hoffacker, who dressed up as a Kiss member. Did he think he would win? "No, I was very surprised when they gave me the $5 prize," he said. Other costumes included togas, Roman fighters, and cowboys.

Club sponsor Hanne Bach said, "One of the main reasons for International Club is to meet foreign exchange students."

Backs in black. Teri Renner, Kelly Stabler, Linda Barr, and Jacque Morris are silhouetted on the gym floor at International Club's dance.

Kiss in person. Scott Hoffacker surprised everybody by showing up at the costume dance dressed as a Kiss member. He won $5 for best costume.



A toga goddess. Jody Owens collects money from students going to the costume dance.

International Club. FRONT ROW: Ms. Hanne Bach (sponsor), Dave Rupel, Rob Bender, Kristie Barkley, Jennifer Bear, Shelly Kaufman, Kimberly Sink, Mona Reinhard, Karen Fox, Janice Walmsley, Cindy Polley, Lisa Tarr, Amy Isnogle, Deb Lipp, Deb Frauhiger. SECOND ROW: Julie Prichard, Julie Morris, Shelley Newbury, Michele Stohler, Jennifer Scheckel, Shelli Burton, Gigi Delgado, Sherri Reffeitt, Linda Barr, Jody Owens, Cheri Decker, Tammy Bate, Pam Fisher, Bridget Henry, Anthony Hoch, Mark Osborn (vice president). THIRD ROW: Shari Stoller, Susan Hadley, Jenny Cupp, Sandy Cook, LuAnn Hiday, Dan Easley, Mick Lewis, Jerry Wittwer, Greg McBride, Kent Somers, Neal Worden, Cami Crane, Mark Fiechter, Matt Kinzer (secretary/treasurer). FOURTH ROW: Emily Bradley, Tami Hoover, Wayne Dillon, Scott Reef, Eric Milholland, Julie Dian, Renee Gerber, Paula Wolf, Cheryl Crellin, Dana Sadler, Angie Binkley, Cheri Tracey, David Ploughe, Dave Johnson. FIFTH ROW: Kim Coty, Kendra Miller, Deb Tonner, Kathy Crozier, Shelley Grubb, Karen Neuenschwander, Stasi Decker, Tonya Slater, Kelli McGlone, Lisa Osborn, Kim Lopshire, Kelly Scott, Amy Brane, Laura Shumaker, Doug Weikel. BACK ROW: Joanne Lydy, Cozy Runkle, Rhonda Scheckel, Carl Dippel, Rick Johnson, Lynn Saalfrank, Randy Shumaker, Tracey Hyde, Marcie Lacy, Peggy Harber, Kelly St. John, Don Bentz, Kim Kaufman, Jennifer Runkel, Greg Steele. NOT PICTURED: Stacy Hoffacker (president).

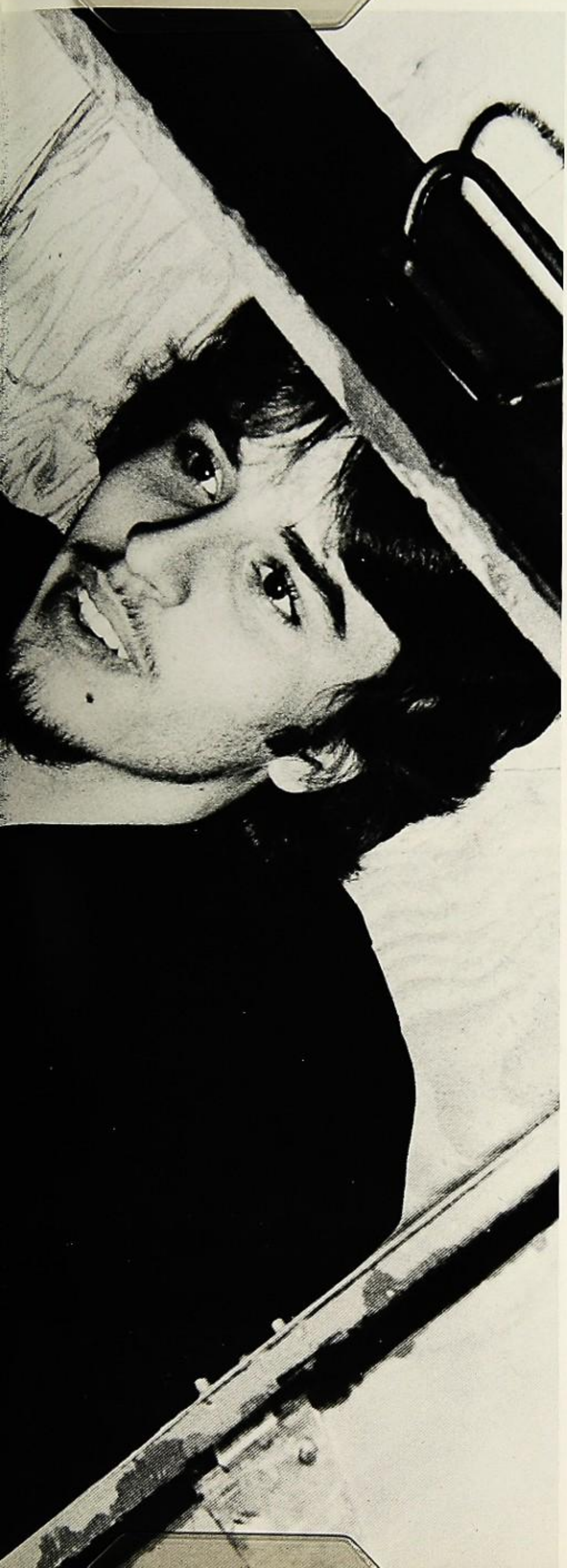
Taking a bite out of life. Kim Urshel, while under Dracula's spell, attempts to bite Don Bentz's neck.

"What's the matter, Miss Welles? Don't you like my new pet?" Laurie Ferguson gives her opinion on Jeff Binkley's newly-found friend during *Dracula*.

"Now where is that getaway car?" Michael Lampman and Clark Henkel perform in "Alice Pourtnoy and the Bank Robbers," a sketch on how a Girl Scout foiled a gang of bank robbers.

Don't try suicide. Kim Urshel points a gun at her head during "As the Stomach Turns," a satire on soap operas.

In grave danger. Dracula (Stu Miller) lies helpless in his casket, awaiting his death via stake.



Bats 'n' rats

The room is quiet as the French doors swing open. The rustling wind blows the curtains in a wild frenzy. The wolves in the nearby woods start their treacherous howling as a stranger in a black cape enters the parlor in the Seward Sanitorium. The three men in the room stare in fear and wonder as the stranger utters, "I am . . . Count Dracula."

This was just one of the scenes from the Thespians' main production of the year — *Dracula,* the horrifying tale of a non-dead being that thrives on human blood.

The audience loved the special effects, such as the disappearance of Count Dracula in plain view of the audience.

Difficulties the troupe encountered with *Dracula* included finding a light person two days before opening night, and having the sound system that carried the wolf howls give out closing night.

What's an average day like in Canoga Falls? Norwell students found out in September when Thespians did four Carol Burnett sketches entitled "As the Stomach Turns," "Love Finds Andy Hardy," "Monkey Business," and "Alice Pourtnoy and the Bank Robbers."

Another caped actor appeared on the NHS stage in the spring, as Michael Lampman assumed the role of the villain in the one-act play "The Wild Flowering of Chastity." The other two one-acts that accompanied it were "Silent Snow, Secret Snow" and "Itchin' to Get Hitched."

Thespians. FRONT ROW: Mrs. Mabel White (sponsor), Dave Rupel (president), Don Bentz (vice president), Laurie Ferguson (secretary), Jennifer Runkel (treasurer). SECOND ROW: Zina Barrett, Erick Rigby, Scott Reef, Kim Urshel. THIRD ROW: Bobbi Cook, Cindy Ruch, Kelly Burns, Julie James, Jill Barnabee. BACK ROW: Stu Miller, Cheri Tracey, Clark Henkel, Marty Fusselman, David Ploughe, Michael Lampman. NOT PICTURED: Angie Binkley, Jeff Binkley, Stacy Kitchin, Nancy Schuerenberg.

SunShine helps

"SunShine Society is an organization that has fun while helping others," said Lynda McAfee, the club's president.

The girls began the year with a pizza and pool party September 6. They got together October 6 to initiate new members into the group.

December 13 brought something special — the Christmas Dance. That night four girls were crowned princesses: freshman Mindy Osborn, sophomore Dawn Denney, junior Cheryl Crellin, and senior Janice Walmsley. Rita Gerber was crowned queen. The dance was held at Thunderbird Lodge in Roanoke.

SunShine girls who still had plenty of Christmas spirit went Christmas caroling December 22 at different nursing homes in Bluffton.

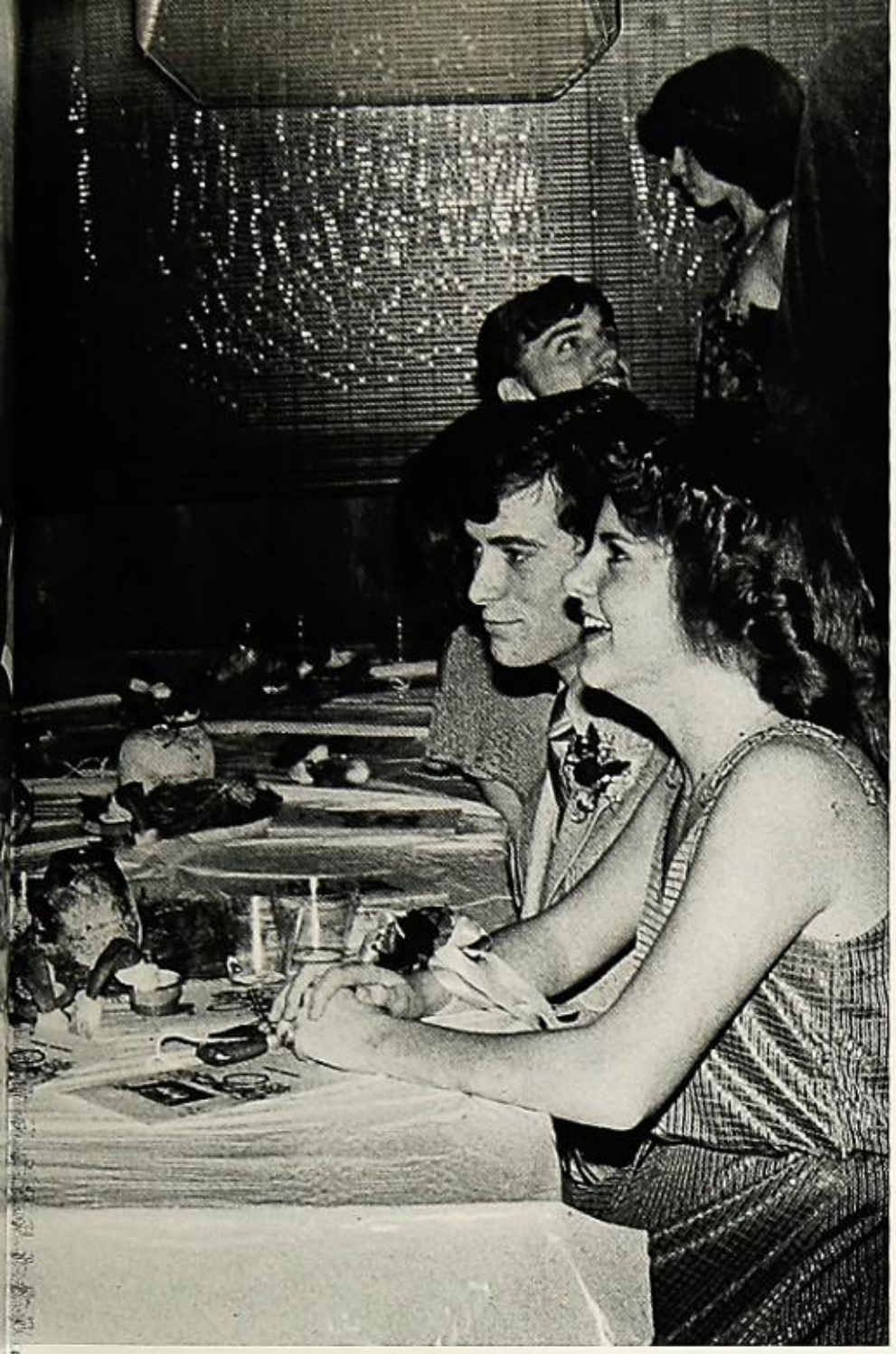
Each girl was allowed to bring her dad, boyfriend and grandpas to Me and My Men Night February 16 for a smorgasbord dinner.

The traditional installation of officers took place at the Ideal Ladies' Tea in April.

Mrs. Joyce Buzzard, Mrs. Carol Fuller, and Mrs. Marilyn Heckman sponsored SunShine Society.

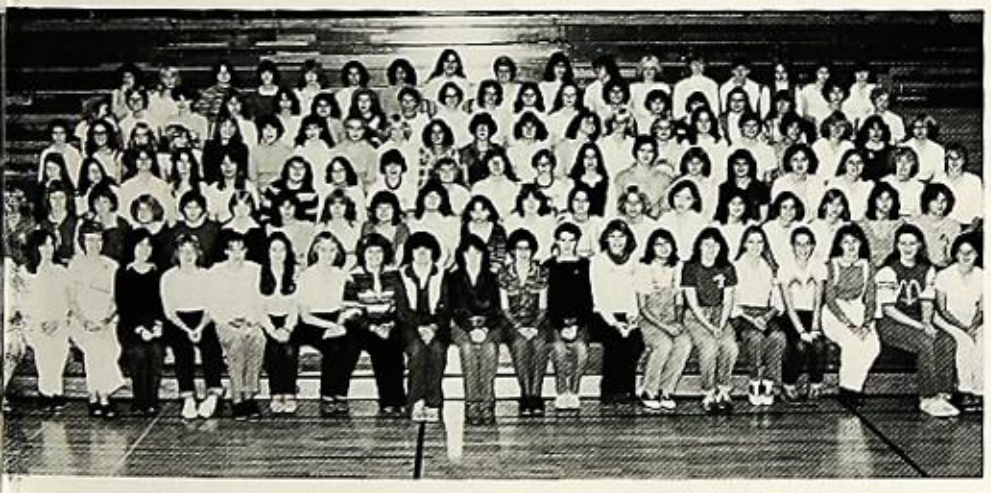
SunShine Society (juniors and seniors). FRONT ROW: Cheryl Crellin (treasurer), Pam Barger (secretary), Lynda McAfee (president), Angie Binkley (vice president). SECOND ROW: Mrs. Carol Fuller (sponsor), Mrs. Marilyn Heckman (sponsor), Mrs. Joyce Buzzard (sponsor), Cheri Franke, Kristie Barkley, Michelle DeHoff, Kimberly Sink, Karen Fox, Janice Walmsley, Lani Johnson, Rita Gerber. THIRD ROW: Mona Reinhard, Lisa Tarr, Billi Frauhiger, Deb Lipp, Deb Frauhiger, Ronda Bauermeister, Kathy Lewis, Diana Runion, Angela Brindle. FOURTH ROW: Stacy Kitchin, Vicki Baumgartner, Shari Stoller, Teresa Highlen, Jan Gilbert, Connie Hanlon, Serena Gass, Shelley Price, Cindy Polley, Shari Hoopingarner. FIFTH ROW: Ann Couch, Jill Gerber, Sheila Ramseyer, Lanette Wohlford, Shelley Newbury, Christina Ramsey, Konnie Hyde, Laurie Ferguson, Zina Barrett. SIXTH ROW: Julie Dian, Paula Ealing, Tammy Bate, Paula Wolf, Sherri Frauhiger, Sherri Reifeitt, Susan Barr, Julie Prichard, Susan Hadley, Kathy Smith. SEVENTH ROW: Alice Bradley, Lori Van Meter, Jennifer Beckman, Renee Gerber, Dana Sadler, Gigi Delgado, Cami Crane, Juli Mossburg, Shelli Burton, Robin Kling. BACK ROW: Mika Kitahara, Mihoko Horie, Julie James, Julie Meyer, Rhonda Graft, Kay Ann Rogers, Abby Norris, Colleen Lund, Angie Shilling.

Chow time. Hungry gramps, dads, and boyfriends sample SunShine's smorgasbord supper.



Dance break. These SunShine girls and their dates take a break during the Christmas Dance at Thunderbird Lodge to talk to their friends.

SunShine President Lynda McAfee announces that Rita Gerber is SunShine Queen at the Christmas Dance. Looking on is Mindy Osborn, freshman princess.



SunShine Society (freshmen and sophomores). FRONT ROW: Mrs. Carol Fuller (sponsor), Mrs. Marilyn Heckman (sponsor), Mrs. Joyce Buzzard (sponsor), Nancy Schuerenberg, Stephanie Shilling, Kim Lopshire, Kelly Scott, Bonnie Bryant, Dawn Denney, Jill Barnabee, Sherri Allen, Pam Fisher, Bridget Henry, Karen Neuenschwander, Melissa Roberts, Sally Brindle, Debbie Teeters, Julie Gibson, Jacque Morris, Kelly Stabler, Deb Tonner. SECOND ROW: Lisa Rekeweg, Sandra Flum, Juli Bowman, Tonya Slater, Kelli McGlone, Lisa Carrico, Cozy Runkel, Christy Geisel, Leah Quackenbush, Kim Coty, Regina Maidens, Jennifer Dunnuck, Lisa Osborn, Lori Eichler, Ann Franke, Janice Freiburger, Shelley Grubb, Susan Hudson, Dawn Garcia, Laura Shumaker. THIRD ROW: Trudie Bauermeister, Trish Hentz, Amy Ellerman, Jeanette Eisaman, Angie Brubaker, Tami Dailey, Charlotte Deetz, Marcia Smith, Julie Jesse, Rhonda Smith, Marva Haines, Linda Ely, Gala Gerber, Julie Burton, Rhonda Gerber, Bobbi Monnot, Deanna Jackson, Teresa Fishbaugh, Kriss Dafforn. FOURTH ROW: Dee Dee Wilson, Carolyn Kipp, Teresa Hull, Lisa Crouch, Anjie Hilsmier, Rhonda Hurraw, Kim Wegman, JoAnn Frauhiger, Julie Hedges, Tina Delgado, Laura Carnes, Mandy Patterson, Laura Ball, Elaine Steffen, Robin Fisher, Debbie Meek, Chelli Brower, Joy Baumgartner, Sheryl Schaefer, Tammy Kaufman, Tracey Hostetter. FIFTH ROW: Jana Dafforn, DeeDee Glass, Cindy Ridge, Jackie Reimschisel, Mindy Osborn, Carla Crane, Cassy Polley, Tina Stephens, MaDonna Harris, Cindy Kirchner, Angel Spencer, Cathy Ramsey, Rachel Gerber, Lori Johnson, Sarah Confer, Kristi Prichard, ReJeana Garner, Chris Gregor, Tammy Deckard. BACK ROW: Joy McAfee, Lisa Hunteman, Teresa Neff, Tessy Dyar, Angie Smith, Tena Fosnight, Linda Jauregui, Chris Haneline, Teresa Nye, Heather Kuns, Ruth Ann Baumgartner, Tish Wiley, Lori Haiflich, Pam Grover, Tammy Hall, Kim Urshel, De De Ash.

The roses. Angie Binkley, Pam Barger, Cheryl Crellin, Juli Bowman, and Lynda McAfee await the coming of the princesses so they can present each one with a rose.

Painting his way to fame and fortune, Randy Melching carefully paints a portion of the horse that "drove" a covered wagon across the window of Gerber's.

Stepping up in the art world, Patty Dillon helps the other Art Club members paint the window at Gerber's Super Valu.

Art attack

Armed with paint brushes, they arrived at the designated spot. Watches synchronized and missions fully in mind, they prepared to attack. Once started, there was no turning back. The command was given. The attack began as they stormed the coveted building.

Two hours later, it was over. The townspeople stared in awe at the result of the storming. The window in Gerber's Super Valu in Ossian was completely reformed, as a covered wagon crossing a dry desert bathed in a golden sunset was painted on it.

Painting this window for Gerber's Western Days was the first outing of the new year for Art Club. This was just the beginning, however.

The next raid occurred at Pizza Hut in Bluffton. Members of the club got together to get acquainted and to discuss further raids.

To round out the year, Art Club held a fund-raiser in the form of a dance recital. Dancers from Mary Lynn Lautzenheiser's "Feet in Rhythm" were featured.

"Art Club is mainly an art service club," stated sponsor Jeffery Prentice. "It's here so that somebody who enjoys art can enjoy it without taking a class."

Marcie Lacy, a club member, said that membership in Art Club means "being able to express yourself fluently without being restrained by a grade."

If you can't grow one, paint one. Kent Weikel "grows" a moustache with the help of Bruce Pond during Art Club's expedition at Gerber's.

Art Club. FRONT ROW: Mr. Jeffery Prentice (sponsor), Stacy Schoeff, Lyle Null, Joe Falk, Gigi Delgado, Jennifer Scheckel, Michele Stohler, Sherri Allen, Cheri Tracey, Brent Dafforn. SECOND ROW: Rhoda Pugh, Eric Wilkins, Konnie Hyde, Tracey Hyde, Marcie Lacy, Jill Barnabee, Tami Dailey, Beth Eckelbarger, Penny Ehrsam, Jennifer Beckman. BACK ROW: Richard Connett, Kent Weikel, Mike Connett, Jeff Ellis, Kelly Burns, Rhonda Scheckel, Cozy Runkel, Kim Coty, Jennifer Dunnuck. NOT PICTURED: Patty Dillon, Randy Melching.

"Are you sure this is the way you hang wallpaper? Tami Dailey and Stacy Schoeff prepare for the mural painting at Gerber's.

"Next time you forget your house key, let *me* climb through the window!" Mr. Prentice helps his club members paint Gerber's window.

Looking ahead

Have you ever wondered about South American insects, nuclear energy, or how to judge soil?

If you answered "yes" to any part of the above questions, Bio Kappa, Future Farmers of America, and Science Club are where you should have been.

Bio Kappa, said club sponsor Bernard Jump, "is for anyone who ´was in Biology I."

Some of the activities Bio Kappa engaged in included a speech by Mr. Tom Houghe on South American Indians and insects.

FFA was the newcomer to Norwell's list of clubs. Mr. Thomas Smith, agriculture teacher, was the club's supervisor.

Awards were collected by the first-year FFA'ers, as Scott Shutt, Mike Witte, Mark Bolinger, Dave Penrod, and Tony Bauermeister won trophies in livestock speeches and soil judging.

Science Club meetings, run by Mr. Howard Jones, were victims of snow and fog delays, according to Mr. Jones.

Science Club ventured to Chicago on a charter bus to view the various museums in the area.

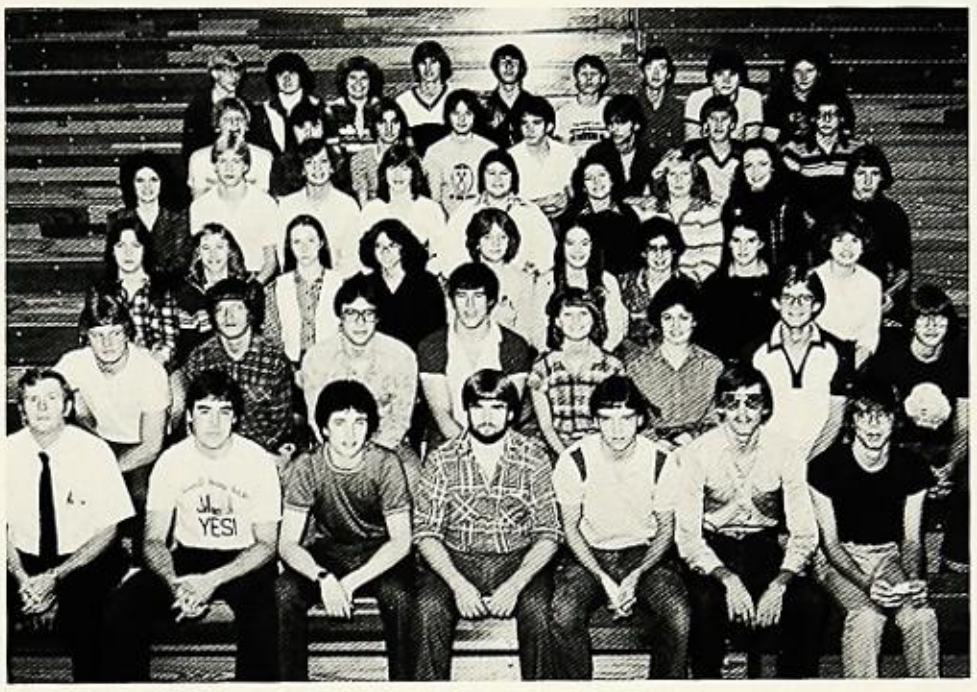
Getting an education to further yourself in life is often considered the main purpose for attending school. Bio Kappa, FFA, and Science Club took that philosophy one step further, for these clubs helped their members learn just a little bit more about an area that may be their career some day.

Bio Kappa. FRONT ROW: Renata Wilson, Kelly St. John, Alice Bradley, Julie Dian, Jill Dale, Pam Fisher, Bridget Henry, Stasi Dekcer, Karen Neuenschwander, Linda Ely, Mr. Bernard Jump (sponsor). SECOND ROW: George Hays, Mike McBride, Dave Ault, Kim Kaufman, Sheila Settle, Marcie Lacy, Jennifer Runkel, Michele Stohler, Laura Shumaker, Mona Reinhard. THIRD ROW: Tina Gray, Dan Easley, Sandra Flum, Mary Land, Angie Binkley, Pam Barger, Cheryl Crellin, Lani Johnson, Amy Brane, Cheri Decker, Lanny Tillman. FOURTH ROW: Jill Barnabee, Glen Werling, Tim Roberts, Mark Osborn, Craig Plummer, Greg McBride, Andrew Antrim, Matt Kinzer. FIFTH ROW: John Schnieders, Steve Dillon, Keith Woodward, Kirk Roberts, Neal Worden, Greg VanMeter, Bob Nichter, Stacy Hoffacker, Rob Bender, Scott Reef, John Mock. SIXTH ROW: Michael Lampman, Vincent Gerber, Kirk Baumgartner, Brian Dafforn, Joe Welches, Dave Johnson, Randy Shumaker, Eric Milholland, Jim Hatfield, Kris Martin. BACK ROW: Julie James, Trish Hentz, Wayne Dillon, Rick Johnson, Pat Confer, Doug Weikel, Lynn Saalfrank, Dawn Denney, Todd Williams.

"Then you take a left at the Andes' Mountains and that will put you right about here." Mr. Houghe displays a map of Peru during his presentation to Bio Kappa.

"Are they dead?" George Hays and Tim Roberts examine the bug collection that was brought in by Mr. Houghe for a Bio Kappa meeting on South American Indians and insects.

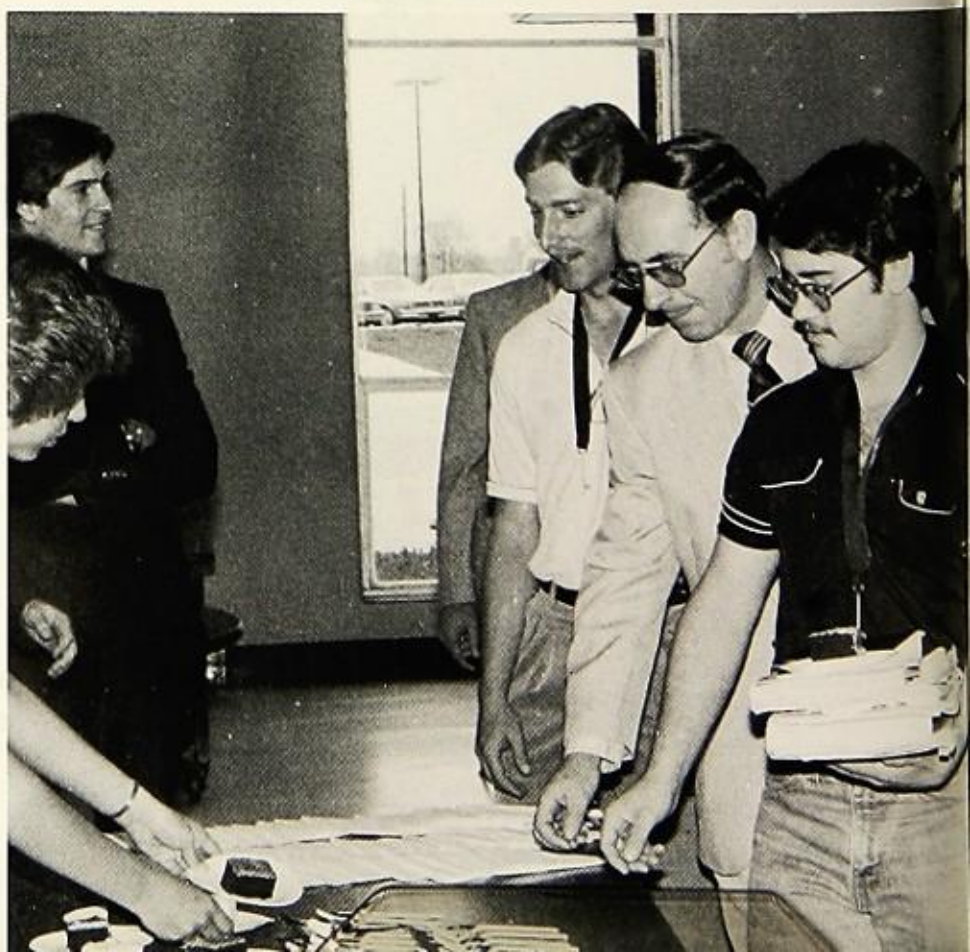
Who? Mr. Smith, that's who. Shown here preparing for the FFA banquet, Mr. Smith was responsible for organizing the Norwell chapter of FFA.



Science Club. FRONT ROW: Mr. Howard Jones (sponsor), Matt Kinzer, Mark Osborn, Greg McBride, Jann McAfee, Colin Werling. SECOND ROW: Mark Smith, David Ploughe, Neal Worden, Kent Somers, Janice Walmsley, Shelly Kaufman, Dave Rupel, Todd Williams. THIRD ROW: Tracey Hyde, Dawn Bauermeister, Kim Kaufman, Marcie Lacy, Laura Shumaker, Kelly Scott, Pam Fisher, Bidget Henry, Mona Reinhard. FOURTH ROW: Pam Barger (vice president), Eric Milholland, Julie Dian, Brenda Bauermeister, Renee Gerber, Stasi Decker, Cheryl Crelling, Angie Binkley, Ron Bacon. FIFTH ROW: Dan Easley, Rick Johnson, Greg Steele, Lynn Saalfrank, Doug Weikel, Randy Shumaker, Dave Johnson, Brian Dafforn. BACK ROW: John Mock, Jill Barnabee, Dawn Denney, Lanny Tillman, John Schnieders, Truques Polderman, Jim Hatfield, Paul Vavrek, Mike Wicks. NOT PICTURED: Anthony Hoch (president).

FFA. FRONT ROW: Mr. Thomas Smith (sponsor), Kyle Bailey (reporter), Brian Scheumann, (treasurer), Mike Witte (president), Dave Penrod (vice president), Tony Bauermeister (sentinel), Bruce Pond (secretary). SECOND ROW: Barry Alberding, Scott Griner, Vince Girvin, Donnie Steffen, John Bauermeister, Glen Werling, Mark Bolinger. BACK ROW: Steve Baker, Scott Bauermeister, Kent Ulmer, Trent Smith. NOT PICTURED: Alan Macklin, Todd Graft, Jeff Smith.

National Honor Society (old members). FRONT ROW: Lynda McAfee (vice president), Ann Strehler (historian), Karen Fox, Janice Walmsley, Sonja Swihart (secretary/treasurer), Tonya Baumgardner, Lisa Tarr. SECOND ROW: Jeff Miller, Dave Rupel, Mark Fiechter (president), Greg Van Meter, Anthony Hoch, Craig Baumgartner. NOT PICTURED: Mrs. Mary Ellis (sponsor).



Guests of honor. Andrew Antrim, Mr. Don Null, and Lyle Null enjoy the reception after inductions while Sonja Swihart and Mark Fiechter host the serving line.

The key to Honor Society. Ann Strehler puts a key around John Schnieder's neck during the induction ceremony.

Addressing the quality of good character is Lisa Tarr, while Anthony Hoch, Lynda McAfee, and Tonya Baumgardner look on.

37 new members

People say it's lonely at the top, but this wasn't the case April 29 when National Honor Society held its induction ceremony.

For seven seniors and 30 juniors, it was a day they will never forget.

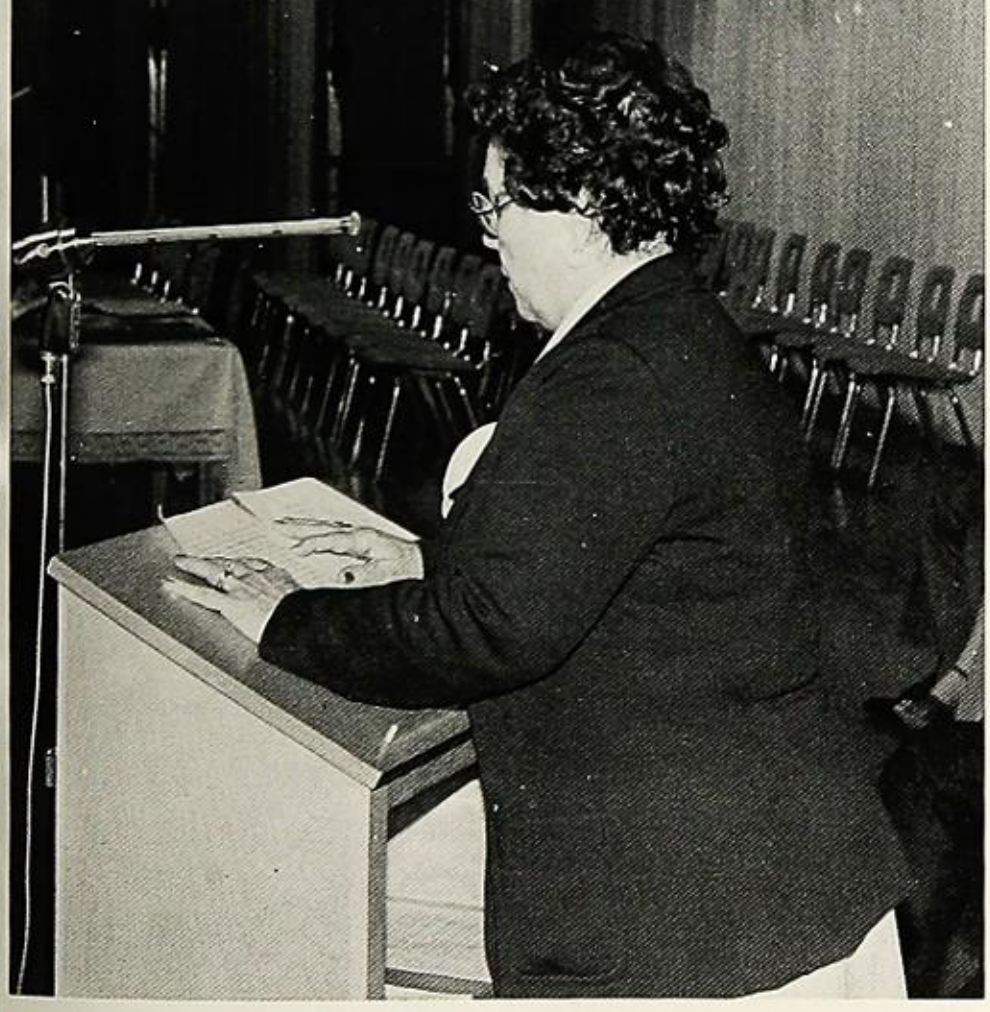
As President Mark Fiechter called the new members' names one by one, the students walked down to the stage to receive a key to wear for the day. They also received a membership card and a pin.

Seniors who were initiated into the society were Andrew Antrim, Tina Jahn, Dawn Lambert, Greg McBride, Lyle Null, Mark Osborn, and Brian Walda.

Juniors initiated were Kirk Baumgartner, Jennifer Beckman, Angie Binkley, Alice Bradley, Cami Crane, Cheryl Crellin, Brent Dafforn, Julie Dian, Lynn Gerber, Renee Gerber, Vincent Gerber, Rhonda Graft, Jon Hartigan, Trudy Jahn, Kim Kaufman, Deb Macklin, Jann McAfee, Doug McDowell, Julie Meyer, Eric Milholland, Juli Mossburg, Ann Rekeweg, John Schnieders, Angie Shilling, Kent Somers, Alan Tripp, Dan Waksman, Dawn Werling, Keith Woodward, and Neal Worden.

"To be initiated into National Honor Society, a senior must have an 8.5 grade point average, while juniors must have a 9.0," said Mrs. Mary Ellis, sponsor. In addition to scholarship, they must also demonstrate leadership, character, and service.

Honor Society sponsored Honors Night April 13 to give recognition to all students who were on first semester honor roll. Refreshments were provided in the cafeteria, and Swing Set provided entertainment in the auditorium.

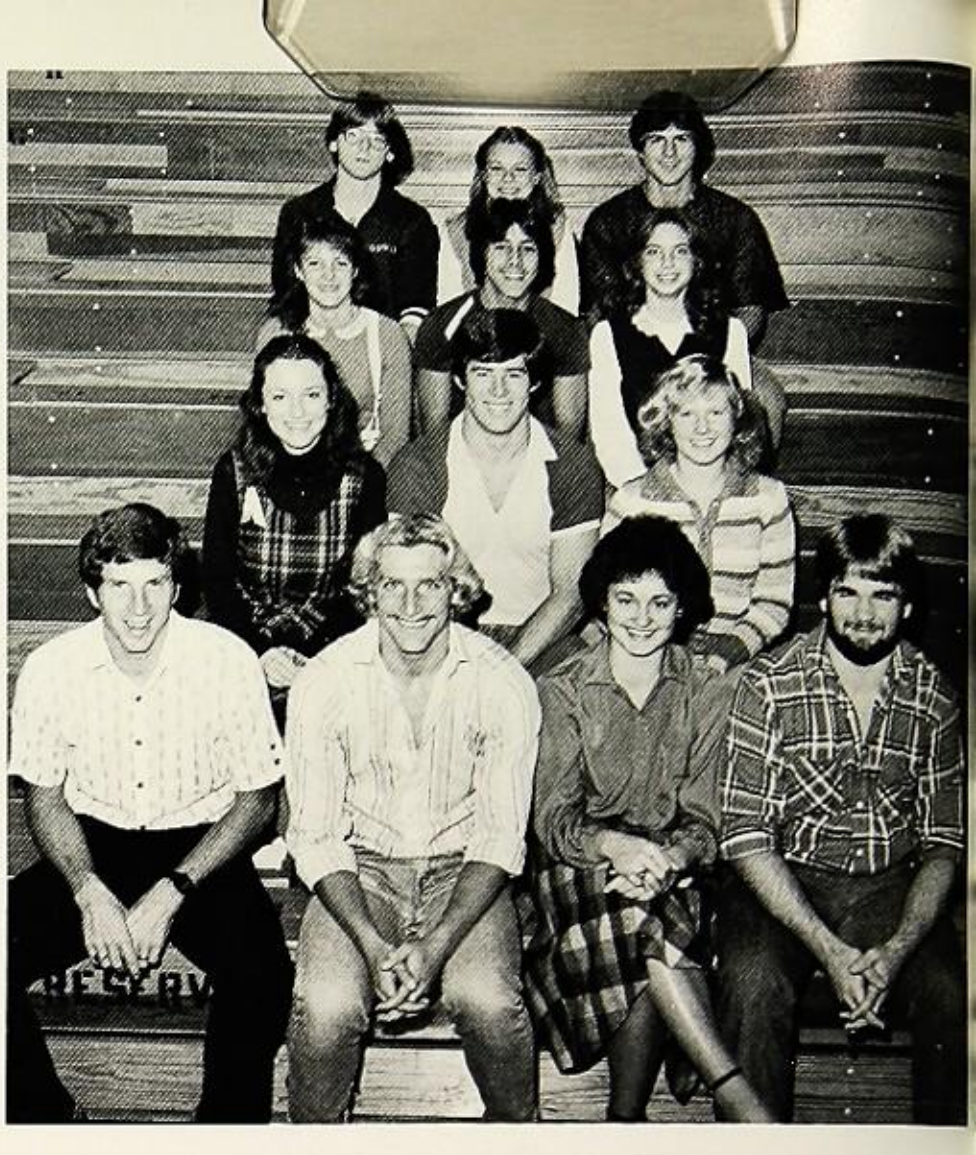


In her final year as club sponsor, Mrs. Ellis explains the requirements for membership in NHS prior to the induction of new members. This was her last year as sponsor because she retired at the end of the year. Mrs. Ellis worked for Northern Wells Community Schools 27 of the 36 years she devoted to a career in education.

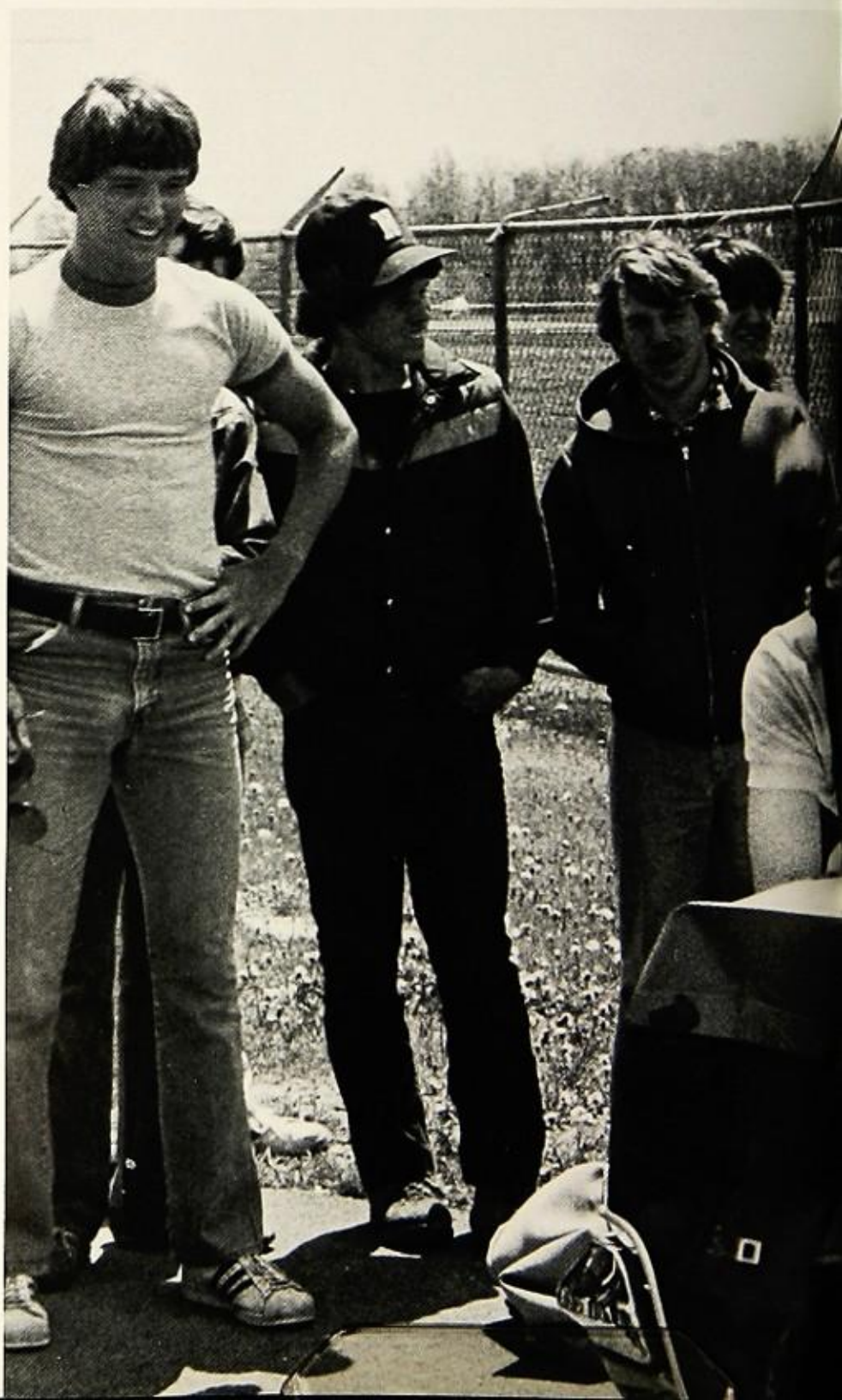
National Honor Society (new members). FRONT ROW: Brian Walda, Mark Osborn, Lyle Null, Greg McBride, Dawn Lambert, Tina Jahn. SECOND ROW: Renee Gerber, Lynn Gerber, Brent Dafforn, Cheryl Crellin, Cami Crane, Alice Bradley, Angie Binkley, Jennifer Beckman, Kirk Baumgartner. THIRD ROW: Ann Rekeweg, Juli Mossburg, Eric Milholland, Julie Meyer, Jann McAfee, Deb Macklin, Rhonda Graft, Vincent Gerber. FOURTH ROW: Kim Kaufman, Trudy Jahn. BACK ROW: Neal Worden, Dawn Werling, Dan Waksman, Alan Tripp, Kent Somers, Angie Shilling, John Schnieders. NOT PICTURED: Andrew Antrim, Julie Dian, Jon Hartigan, Doug McDowell, Keith Woodward.

Student organization. Mr. Yager, Kirk Roberts, Cheryl Crellin, Linda Ely, Kent Somers, Shelly Kaufman, Anthony Hoch, and Andrew Antrim hold a meeting in the teachers' cafeteria.

Student Council. FRONT ROW: Mr. Steve Yager (sponsor), Andrew Antrim (president), Shelly Kaufman (vice president), Anthony Hoch. SECOND ROW: Angie Binkley, Kent Somers, Cheryl Crellin (secretary/treasurer). THIRD ROW: Jacque Morris, Kirk Roberts, Linda Ely. BACK ROW: Jeff Binkley, Kristi Prichard, Todd Houser.



A bionic breakthrough? Cami Crane prepares to donate her blood to the Wells County Red Cross.



Beating the high cost of auto maintenance, Mark Fiechter enjoys the Play Day car bash while Greg McBride, Kerry Gerber, Tom Teusch, Deb Elliott, Brent Yager, Anthony Hoch, Desmond Ladig, Lee Byerly, and Randy Williams look on.

Getting to the core of the problem, Tim Johnson bobs for the Freshman Class during Play Day.

One for you, two for me. Cheryl Crellin counts the money donated by students for needy families.

Activities galore!

"Oh, my aching stomach!" This phrase and others like it were often heard May 7 during Play Day, sponsored by Student Council.

The entire event began at 12:50 when students were dismissed from classes to the football field. After an introduction by Mr. Steve Yager, Student Council sponsor, the four classes were thrown into the heat of competition as NHS students battled for the blue in such events as a pie-eating contest, a Frisbee throw, and a mattress race.

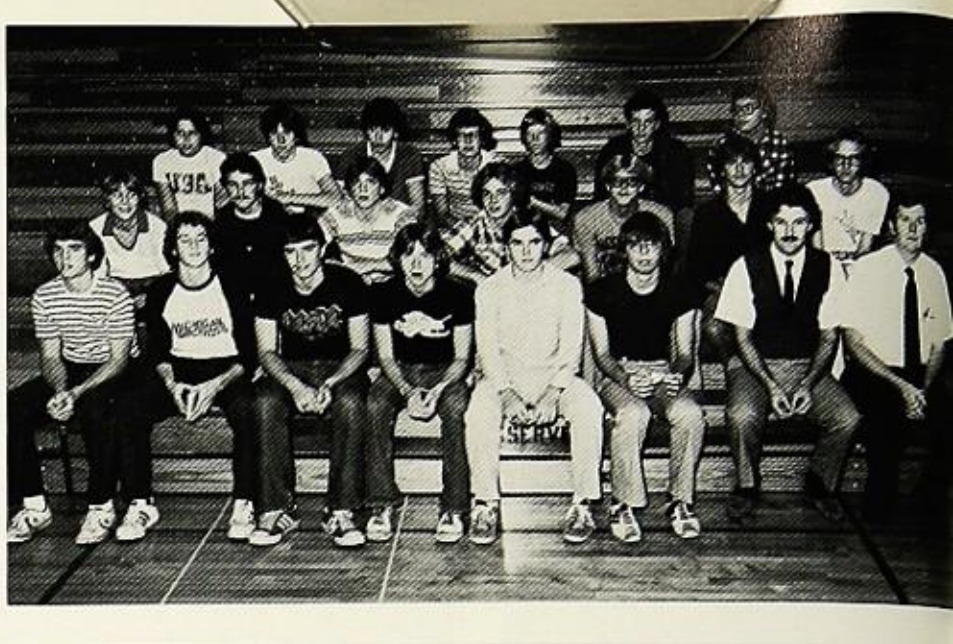
"Vampire Heaven" was set up in the auditorium during the blood donations arranged by Student Council and the Wells County chapter of the Red Cross February 13.

Needy families in Wells County also benefited from Student Council when members raised money during the week before Christmas. To motivate students, Student Council used homeroom competition as a catalyst, with the most generous homeroom receiving a free McDonald's breakfast.

"By helping someone else to have a nice Christmas, it made mine more meaningful," said Student Council member Angie Binkley. "It was nice to know that other familes were having a nice Christmas, too."

They raised a total of $1,500 and divided it among five Wells County families.

Cheerleaders felt the judging hand of Student Council this year. As a suggestion from Miss Erin Flannery, Student Council chose to have the system for cheerleader elections changed. Cheerleader candidates for next year tried out in front of a special panel of judges rather than in front of the student body.



Hi-Y. FRONT ROW: Jeff Roberts, Ron Leman, Keith Crozier, Matt Brubaker, Jerry Wittwer (president), Colin Werling (treasurer), Mr. Peter Marshall (sponsor), Mr. Howard Jones (sponsor). SECOND ROW: Michael Hamman, Jeff Smith, Roy Pearson, Gregg Reed, Darol Harshman, Ron Double, Marty Fusselman. BACK ROW: Clark Henkel, Ted Oakes, Bruce Pond, Tim Roberts, Dean Hatch, George Hays, Mark Warthman. NOT PICTURED: Rob Levitz (secretary), Kent Ulmer (vice president).

"May I take your order?" Glen Werling waits for Billy Johnson to decide on his order.

Halftime rush hour. Mark Warthman, Colin Werling, Mr. Marshall, Jerry Wittwer, Julie Gibson, and Bonnie Bryant handle the crowd's demands.

Now, did she give me a five or a ten? Mr. Marshall prepares to give a customer her change.

Corn Poppers, Inc.

Struggling, you claw your way across the barren tile an try to ignore the abhorred looks on the faces of bystanders reacting to the screeching noises caused by your fingernails. After hours of desolate crawling, you reach your destination. You weakly pull yourself up.

There! A thunderbolt of ecstatic relief rockets through your body as you gaze into the smiling face of a Hi-Y worker. Your agonized throat will soon be freed of thirst.

Your encounter with Hi-Y probably wasn't this dramatic, but most students knew the Hi-Y guys for their devout work behind the concession stands at home basketball and football games. However, Hi-Y was more than real-life training for a fast-food restaurant.

"Primarily, we are here to work the concessions, but Hi-Y also provides activities for male students who aren't involved in sports," said sponsor Peter Marshall.

One unusual feature about Hi-Y is that all its profits went back into the school. For example, the club bought the trophy case in the commons. Mr. Howard Jones, another sponsor, said that the club donated $125 to the Christmas fund for the needy families. The group also planned to build a football concession stand.

Service with a smile. Mr. Jones waits on a customer.

Mark adds life. Mark Warthman pours a Coke to keep the supply up.

Can't stop the music

The tension is high. At halftime, "Big Blue" is behind rival Bluffton by three. The crowd is anxious. Then, much to everyone's surprise, the gym blacks out.

Is this one of the pranks that the Tigers and Knights so often exchange?

The wonder turns to awe as the blue police light at the peak of the Brass Impact backdrop begins flashing. Everyone is silent. John Hartigan's voice dynamically exclaims, "Ladies and Gentlemen, the Norwell Brass Impact!"

The Pep Club goes wild as the series of light bulbs that outline the backdrop begin flashing in sequence while the band breaks into "The Backstabbers."

Soon after, Grande Illusion struts onto the floor and stimulates the crowd even more with a dynamic routine to the color theme from *The Wiz*.

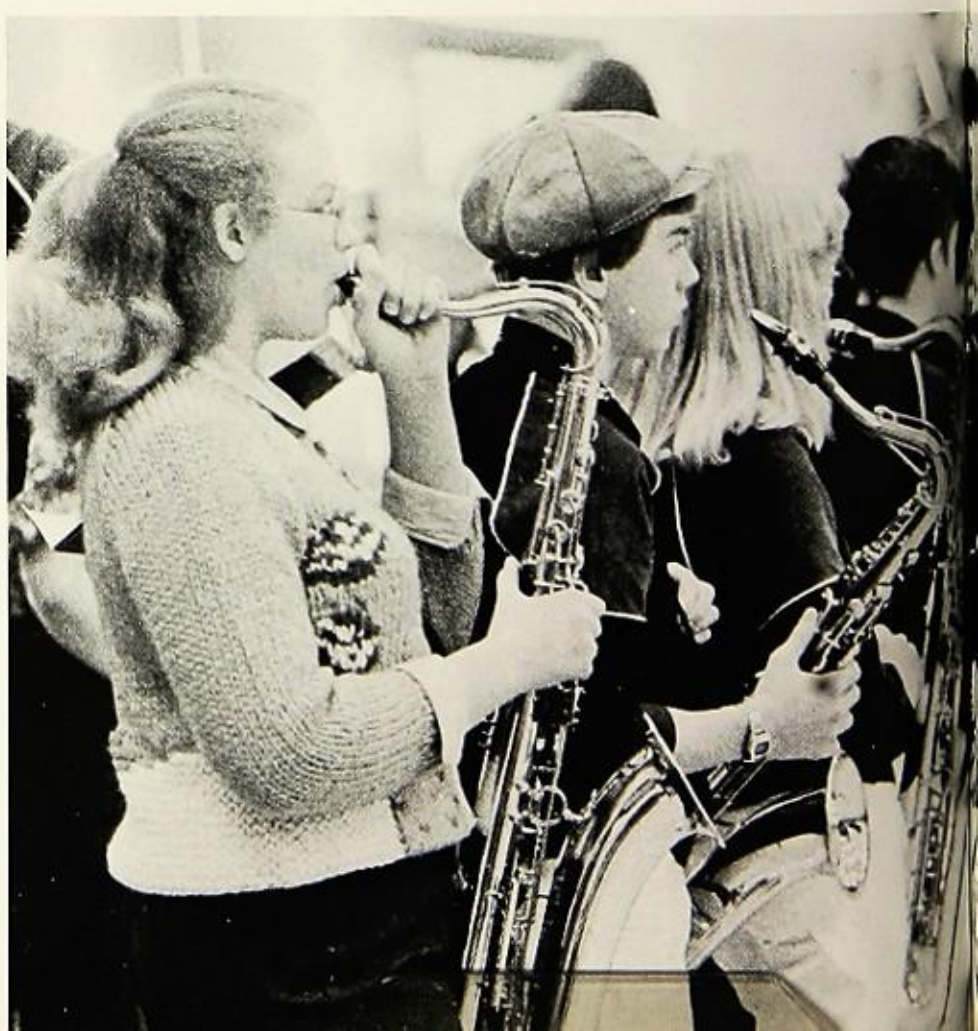
Brass Impact, Norwell's energetic pep band, took on a new look this year as they donned blue and brown velour shirts. "We wanted to look more like a unit," stated Mr. Brad Cooper, Brass Impact director.

If soundwaves could be seen, they would have looked different, too, for the Brass Impact added new numbers, such as "Vegas," to the list of favorite old-timers.

Grande Illusion, the flag and rifle corps, acquired a different look this year, as members were clothed in black-yellow-and-red outfits. Mr. Cooper explained that the guard wanted to get away from the high school and "establish an image for ourselves."

Another new look Grande Illusion got was their look of competition. The guard entered higher-staked circuits this year and competed against better guards.

Chamber Singers. FRONT ROW: Dawn Denney, Pam Barger, Lani Johnson. SECOND ROW: Doug Fiechter, Mark Fiechter, Dave Rupel. THIRD ROW: Shelley Newbury, Linda Ely, Shelly Kaufman, Juli Bowman, Lori Van Meter. BACK ROW: Joe Welches, Rick Johnson, Tobias Steffen, David Sherman, Mr. Lloyd Blain (director), Kelly Burns.



Sax appeal is what the basketball game against the Bluffton Tigers had. Saxophonists Jessica Cooper, Curt Franke, Kriss Dafforn, John Hacker, Chris Rothgeb, and Brent Dafforn patiently wait for the final seconds of the second quarter to tick off the clock, signifying that they may begin performing.

Candlelight special. Dawn Denney, Doug Fiechter, Shelley Newbury, Joe Welches, Mark Fiechter, Tobias Steffen, Lani Johnson, Dave Rupel, Lori Van Meter, Kelly Burns, Juli Bowman, and David Sherman wait for their meal at the Chamber Singers' Christmas Feast.

Aw, Mom. Lori Van Meter and her mom, Mrs. Kay Van Meter, chat at the Chamber Singers' Feast.

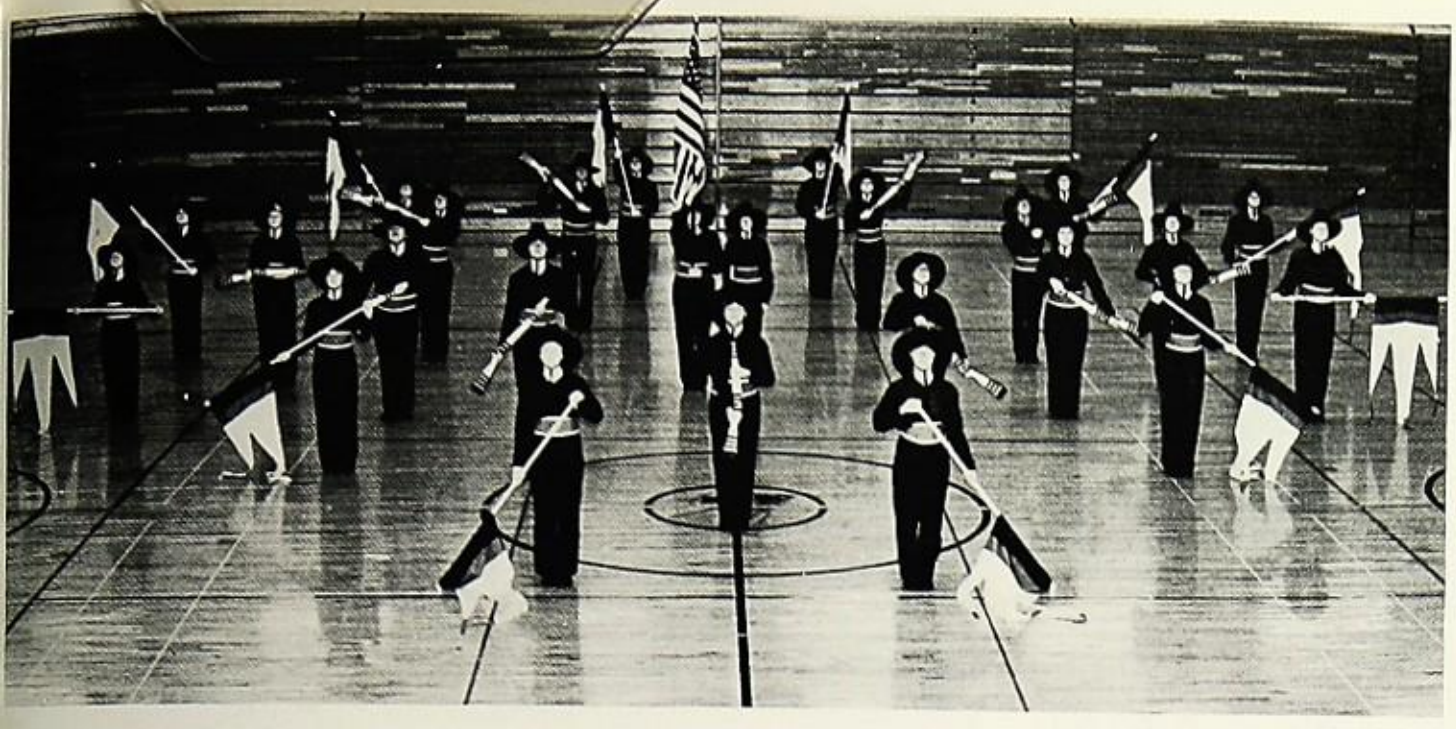
Brass Impact. FRONT ROW: Jennifer Beckman, Tim Easley, John Hartigan, Doug McDowell, Bryan Jackson, Brent Dafforn, Brian Moser, Rob Bender, Tonya Baumgardner, Cari Todd, Mr. Brad Cooper (director). SECOND ROW: Ann Strehler, Laura Parker, Jill Dale, Pam Barger, Juli Bowman, Sandra Flum, Mary Land, Michael Hamman, Curt Franke, Dean Hatch, Erick Rigby. THIRD ROW: Andy Newcomer, Scott Reef, Kent Arnold, John Mock, Chris Rothgeb, Tina Gray, Kriss Dafforn, Lanny Tillman, Jeff Hanusin, Kraig Vardaman. BACK ROW: Jill Barnabee, Brad Kinsey, Steve Burke, Rich Stauffer, Jeff Binkley, Scott Richardson, David Bell, John Hacker, Terry Stephenson.

Lying down on the job, the flags patiently wait for their carriers (Paula Anderson, Cari Todd, Laura Carnes, and Tammy Deckard) to finish their dance routine at the Norwell Invitational Drill Team Contest sponsored by the Grande Illusion.

And the beat goes on . . . with the help of Jill Dale and her trusty drums and cymbals.

An applaudable situation. Mr. Cooper helps the Brass Impact keep time at the Bluffton game.

All keyed up. Juli Bowman plays the synthesizer for the Brass Impact during the ACAC Tourney.



Grande Illusion. (in alphabetical order) AMERICAN SECTION: Jennifer Dunnuck, Marva Haines. FLAGS: Tonya Baumgardner, Juli Bowman, Laura Carnes, Jenny Cupp, Tammy Deckard, Sandra Flum, DeeDee Glass, Shelly Gerbers, Charlene Ramsey, Lisa Rekeweg, Tina Stephens, Cari Todd. RIFLES: Dave Ault, Nancy Borne, Sandy Cook, Clarene Eversole, Rhonda Graft, LuAnn Hiday, Julie Meyer, Shelley Newbury, Mark Numbers, Scott Reef, Susie Thomas. NOT PICTURED: Mr. Brad Cooper (director), Mr. Denver Marlin (choreographer).

Chin up. Grande Illusion members Sandy Cook, Nancy Borne, Tonya Baumgardner, Susie Thomas, Clarene Eversole, and Rhonda Graft perform at the Norwell Invitational Drill Team Contest.

Can't stop the music

Grande Illusion increased its size for a fresh appearance. "With 26 members (instead of 16), you can do a lot more moves," said Mr. Cooper.

Getting kicked out of the gym was an item that hurt the guard, said Cooper. The issue started when the school board declared that the rifles could not practice on the gym floors because they chipped the floors. Mr. Cooper objected at the next meeting and proved the guard innocent.

Grande Illusion put together two shows this year and were seen in competition at such sites as Hagerstown, Chesterton, the WGI Regional in Chicago, and the two most prestigious contests the guard went to: the American Auxiliary Association (AAA) Nationals and the WGI Olympics in Syracuse, New York. The guard placed third in the nationals, where all but one judge ranked them as the best guard in the country. At Syracuse, the guard placed 13th out of 40 guards.

Though the Brass Impact and Grande Illusion looked different this year, Chamber Singers and Players stayed with their same costumes.

Chamber Singers, said Mr. Lloyd Blain, choral director, "was a group of the best vocalists selected from all the choirs."

Chamber Singers' and Players' main event was the Chamber Singers' Christmas Feast, where the Singers and Players dressed in the garb of Old England and sang madrigals and Christmas songs. There were also some readings concerning the English era and a minstrel strolling through the crowds while the meal was served.

A new director was the only major change that occurred within the Chamber Singers this year.

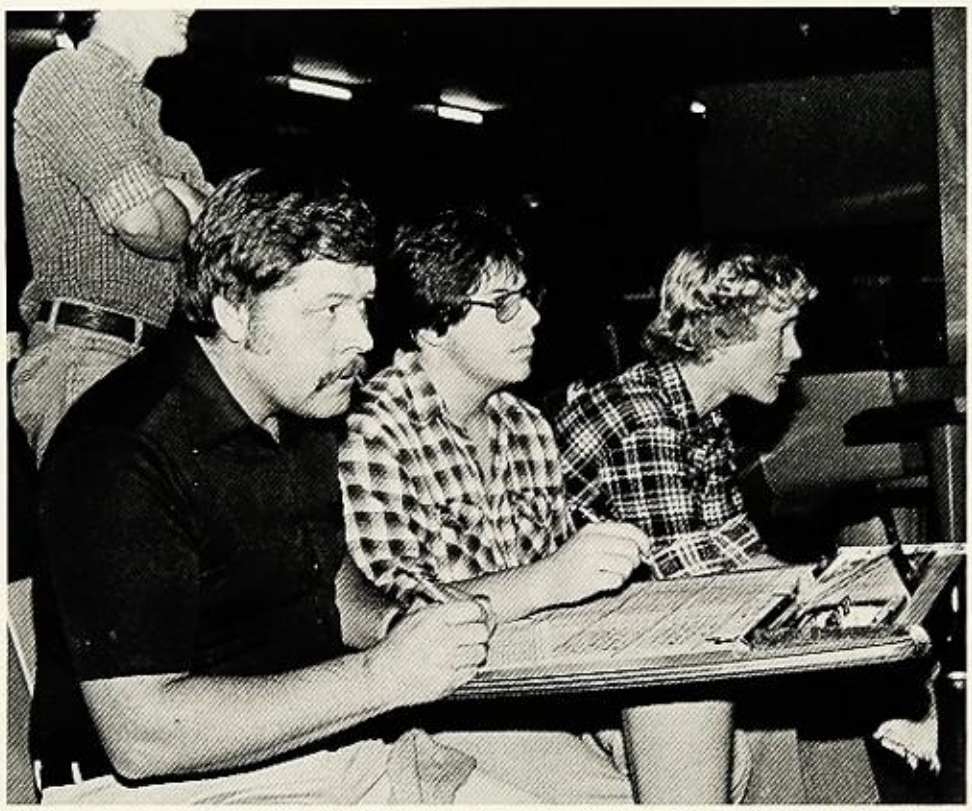
The Chamber Players were three musicians who provided the recorder music at the feast.

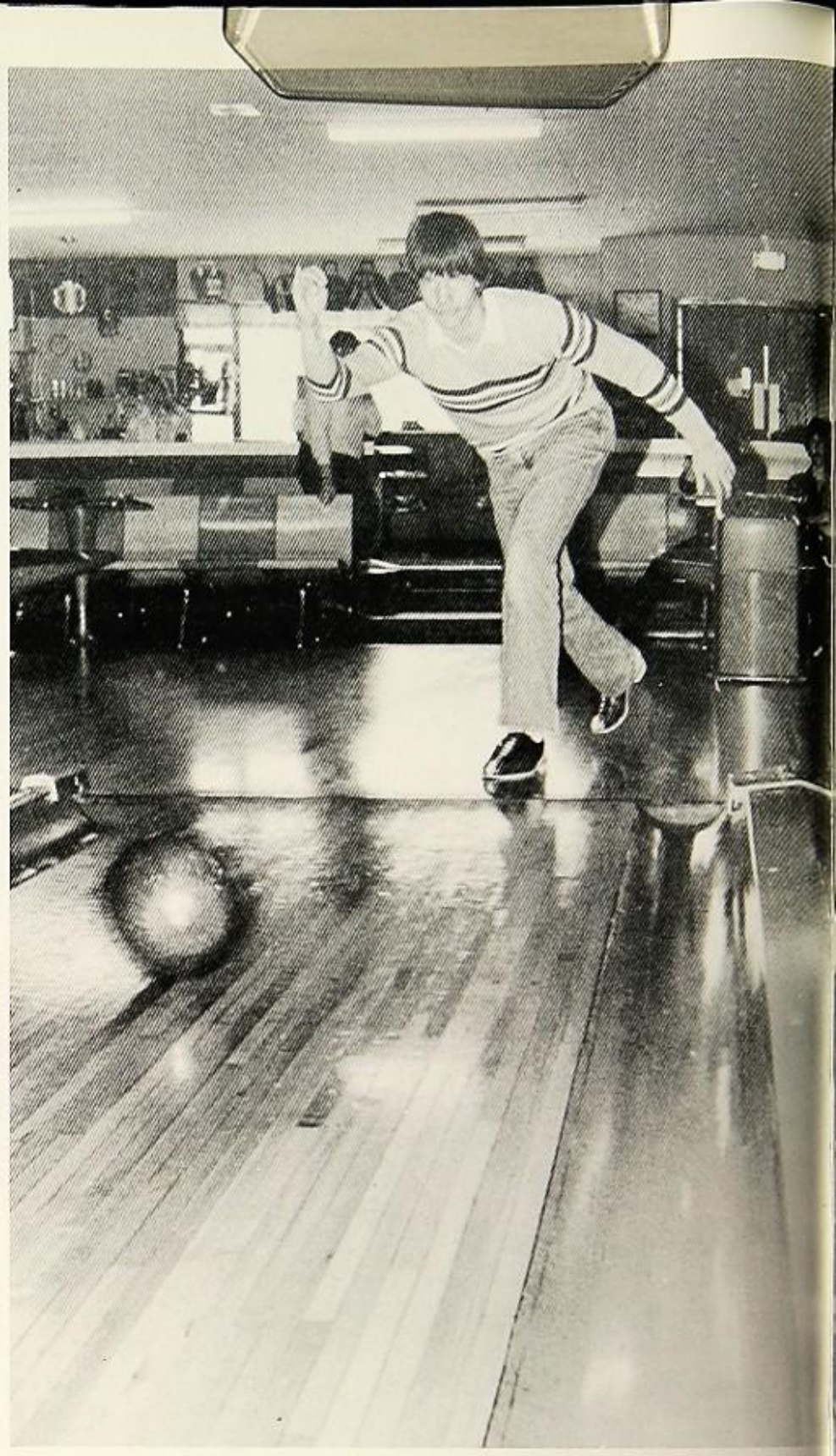
Members of the groups will never forget their roles. Pam Barger, junior, felt that the feast was "rewarding and an experience I'll always remember."

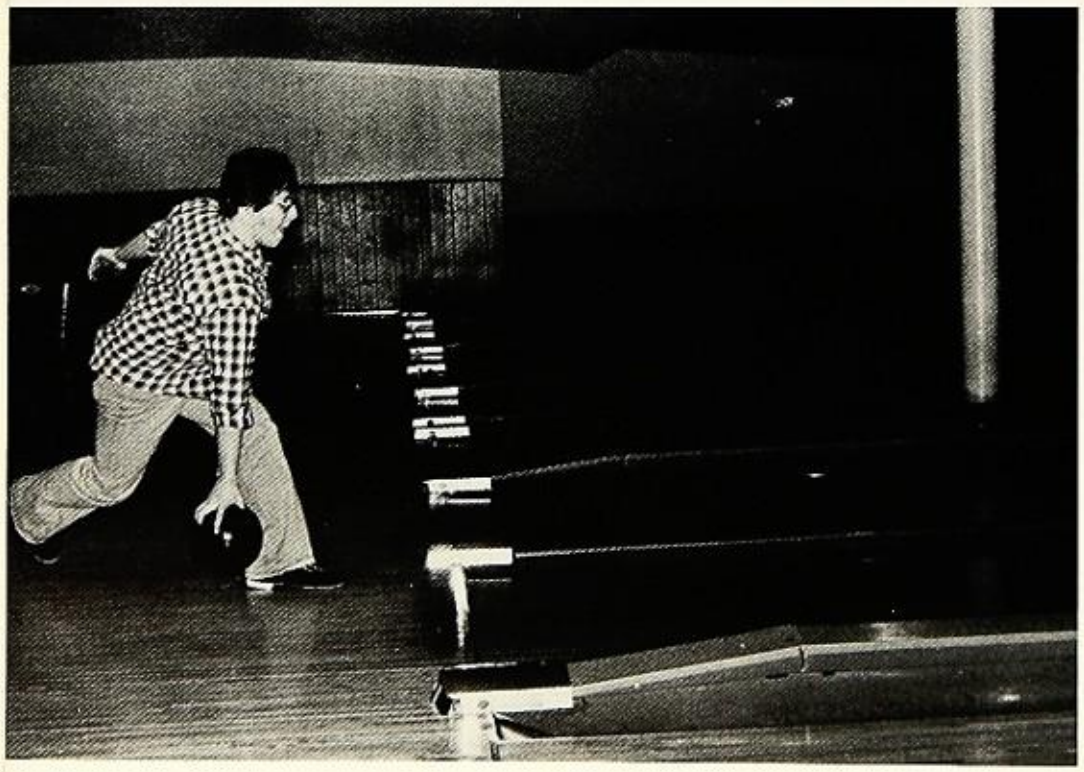
Chamber Players. Ronda Bauermeister, Amy Isnogle, and Deb Lipp.

Success comes to those who wait. Tracey Fuller keeps his hopes high as the ball journeys down the alley.

Score scanners. Mr. Williams and Brian Moser keep track of how many pins get "bowl-dozed," while Brian Daugherty watches quietly.







Giving it his all. Brian Moser aims for a strike.

Bowling Club. FRONT ROW: Mrs. Mabel White (sponsor), Dan Fahl, Kim Archbold, Terri Davison, Greg Steele, Mike Dauscher, Randy Smith. SECOND ROW: Kelly Swaidner, Jada Ladig, Mihoko Horie, Joni Crapser, Bruce Bumgarner, Kris Martin (treasurer), Ken Sparks. THIRD ROW: Eric Horne, Brian Daugherty (president), David Ploughe, Jack McGlone, Brian Moser, Bryon Arnold. BACK ROW: Jodie Lockwood, Jennifer Runkel, Cheri Tracey, Angie Norris, Randy Shumaker, Lynn Saalfrank, Kimberly Sink. NOT PICTURED: Scott Baker, Kristie Barkley, Jennifer Bear, Jeff Carnes, Scott DeHoff, Tracey Fuller, Tyler Greene, Angi Redding, Shawn Sliger, Kenneth Stevens, Greg Van Meter.

Pins and baskets

Students who were tired of sitting around after school on Mondays and Tuesdays took advantage of intramural basketball and Bowling Club.

Intramural basketball was organized for any boy who likes to play basektball just for fun. The games were played on Monday nights at 6:30.

On the winning team this year were Rick Weikel (captain), Jeff Stove, Lorin Best, Scott Bauermeister, Brian Moser, Rob Levitz, Brent Meyer, and Junior Foss.

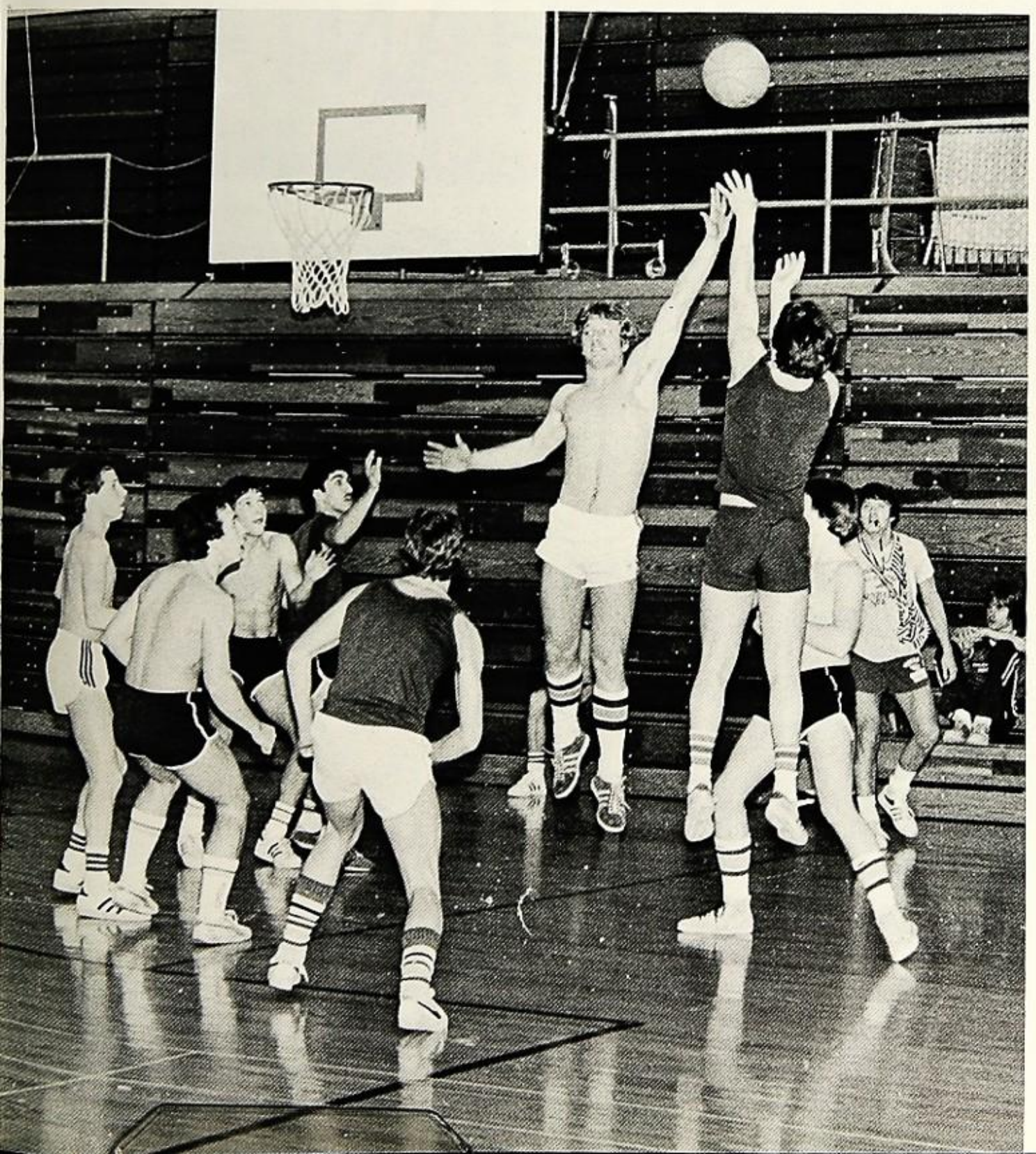
Mr. Neil Kinsey and Mr. Mike Harris were the sponsors of the program.

Bowling Club met on Tuesdays after school at the Bluffton Bowling Center.

This year's top bowlers were Bryon Arnold, Ken Sparks, Brian Daugherty, Kenneth Stephens, and Randy Shumaker.

Mrs. Mabel White was the sponsor. She pointed out that Bowling Club not only gives students something to do, but it also helps them improve their game.

Intramural Basketball Champions. FRONT ROW: Junior Foss, Rick Weikel (captain), Lorin Best, Brian Moser. BACK ROW: Brent Meyer, Jeff Stove, Scott Bauermeister. NOT PICTURED: Rob Levitz.



Skyward-bound. As Stacy Hoffacker goes for a basket, Mark Smith tries to block the shot.

"I can jump higher than you can!" Mark Smith and Mark Fiechter each attempt to tip the ball to a teammate during an intramural basketball game.

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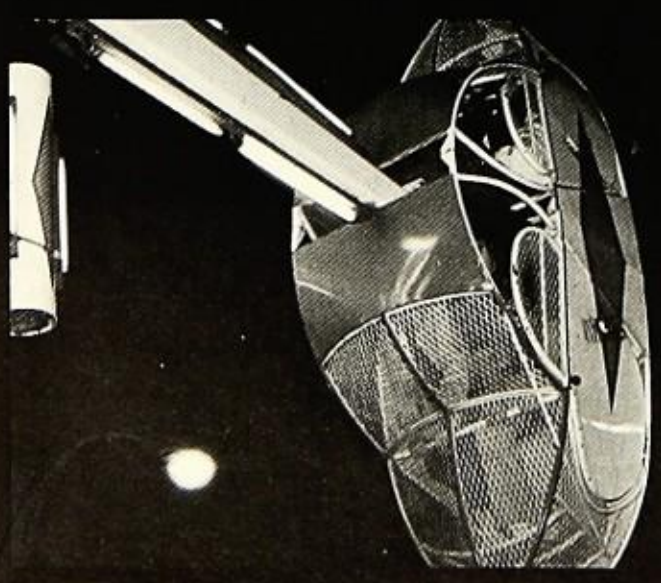

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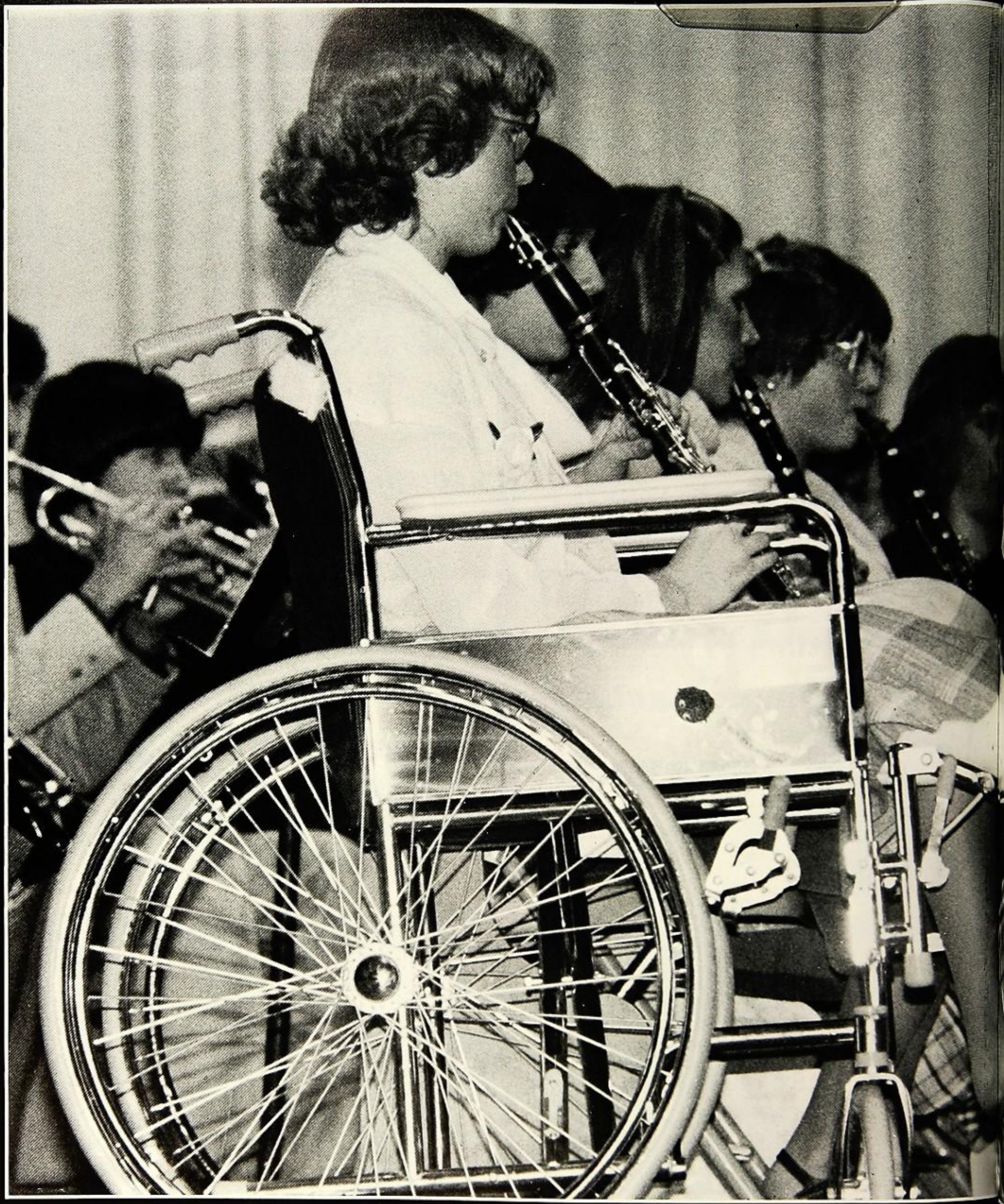

With a wounded knee, Blue Band member Tracey Hostetter performs at the Christmas concert.

Cheered out. Shelley Newbury and LuAnn Hiday watch the clock near the end of the WOWO game.

PEOPLE

Over 900 people — students, teachers, cooks, administrators, and custodians — pumped life into the Castle, each doing his own thing. Whether you were here to learn, teach, cook, make decisions, or clean, you were kept busy keeping up with the constant changes.

Changes such as shortening the school day to 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m., switching from a six-week grading period to a nine-week grading period, having regular and alternate schedules, and getting assigned seats for convocations all took some getting used to. But once we got into the swing of the changes, we usually felt that they suited us well. And even though we took for granted then that the changes were made to "help us," we realize now that *Knight life . . . is the best life!*

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Lisa Bailey
Laura Ball
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David Bell
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Jeff Binkley
Mark Bolinger

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Gary Engle
Robin Fisher
Gayla Ford
Tena Fosnight

Junior Foss
Curt Franke
JoAnn Frauhiger
Kevin Frauhiger
ReJeana Garner
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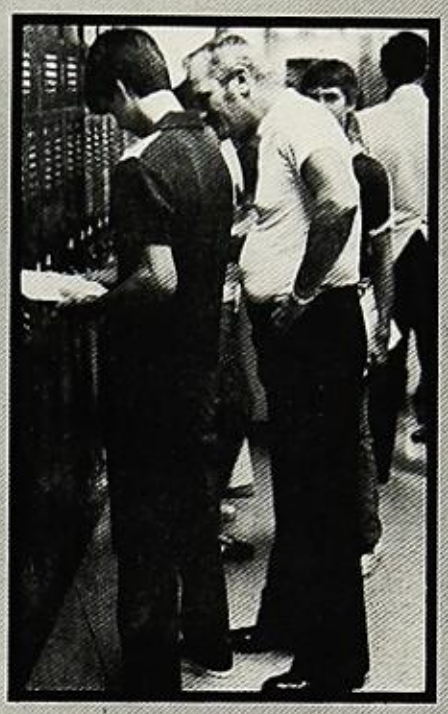
Amy George

A "Coded" message. Brenda Hoffman and Sandy Bricker look through *The Code/Norwell Student Handbook* for club descriptions.

Three to the right . . . seven to the left . . . Michael Boyle receives fatherly advice on locker opening techniques during freshman orientation.



They're movin' up!

"You feel like a very small part of the school. It's almost like being a preschool kid at Yale University." This was how Michael Boyle described what it was like to be a freshman.

Being the youngest class wasn't always easy. "Upperclassmen use you as guinea pigs to act cool and pick on you around their friends," said Kurt Renner.

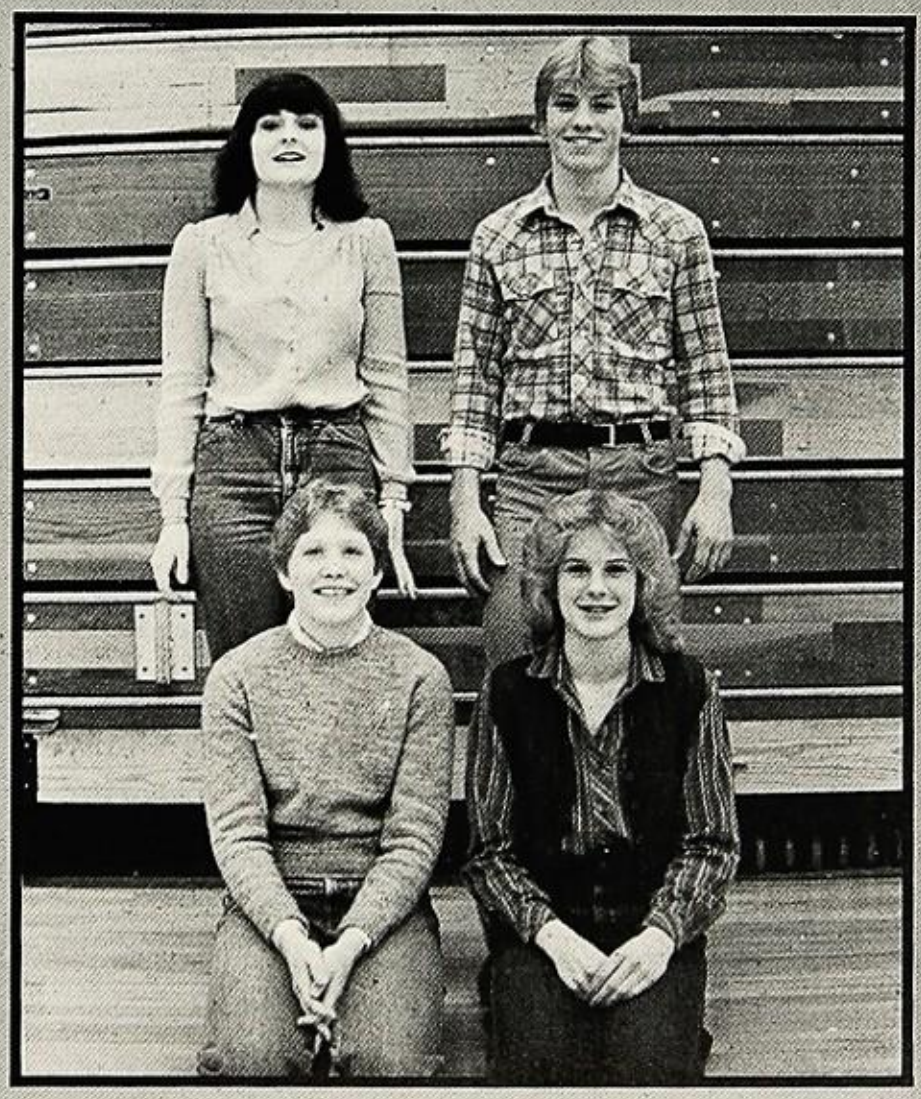
One freshman girl said that she had been stuffed head first into a trash can, had been set on the water fountain twice, and had been tripped countless times.

In addition to the cruel treatment by upperclassmen, freshmen were assigned lousy seats at the ACAC and were issued the old sports equipment. Seeing the older students drive to school while the freshmen were left riding the bus didn't help matters either.

The life of a ninth grader wasn't without a few advantages, however. Doug Painter said, "The best part about being a freshman was that you could be late for class and say you couldn't locate the room or that you forgot your locker combination."

Knowing there are three proms ahead helped one freshman ease the pain.

Gayla Ford summed up her freshman year best in these words: "We're movin' up!"



Freshman Class Officers. KNEELING: Tammy Deckard, secretary; Jana Dafforn, vice president. STANDING: Kim Urshel, treasurer; Kyle Bailey, president.

'Ringside Story'

"Hit Me With Your Best Shot" — Pat Benatar may have sung the song, but Rudy Guzman brought it to life in the boxing ring.

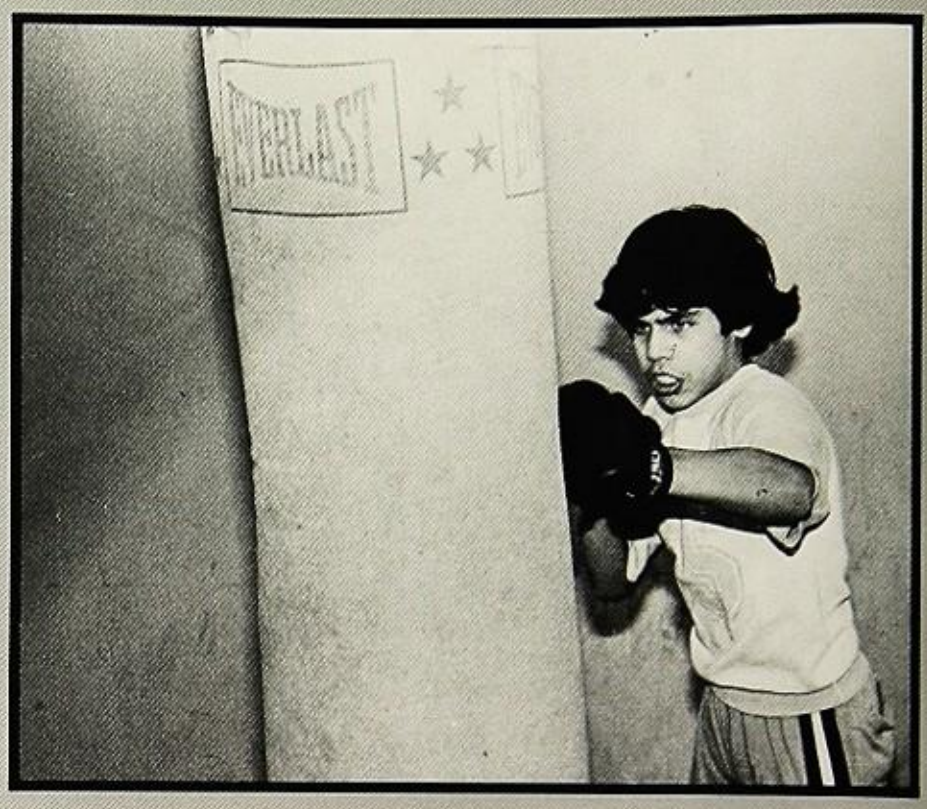
Six years of training paid off for Rudy when he boxed his way to a national title in the 95-pound division in February. This wasn't his first claim to fame, however. He won a Golden Gloves title in the eighth grade.

Rudy worked out two to three times a week at the Bluffton Pal Club. During these practice sessions, Rudy worked with the speed bag and heavy bag, jumped rope, and ran two miles to build endurance.

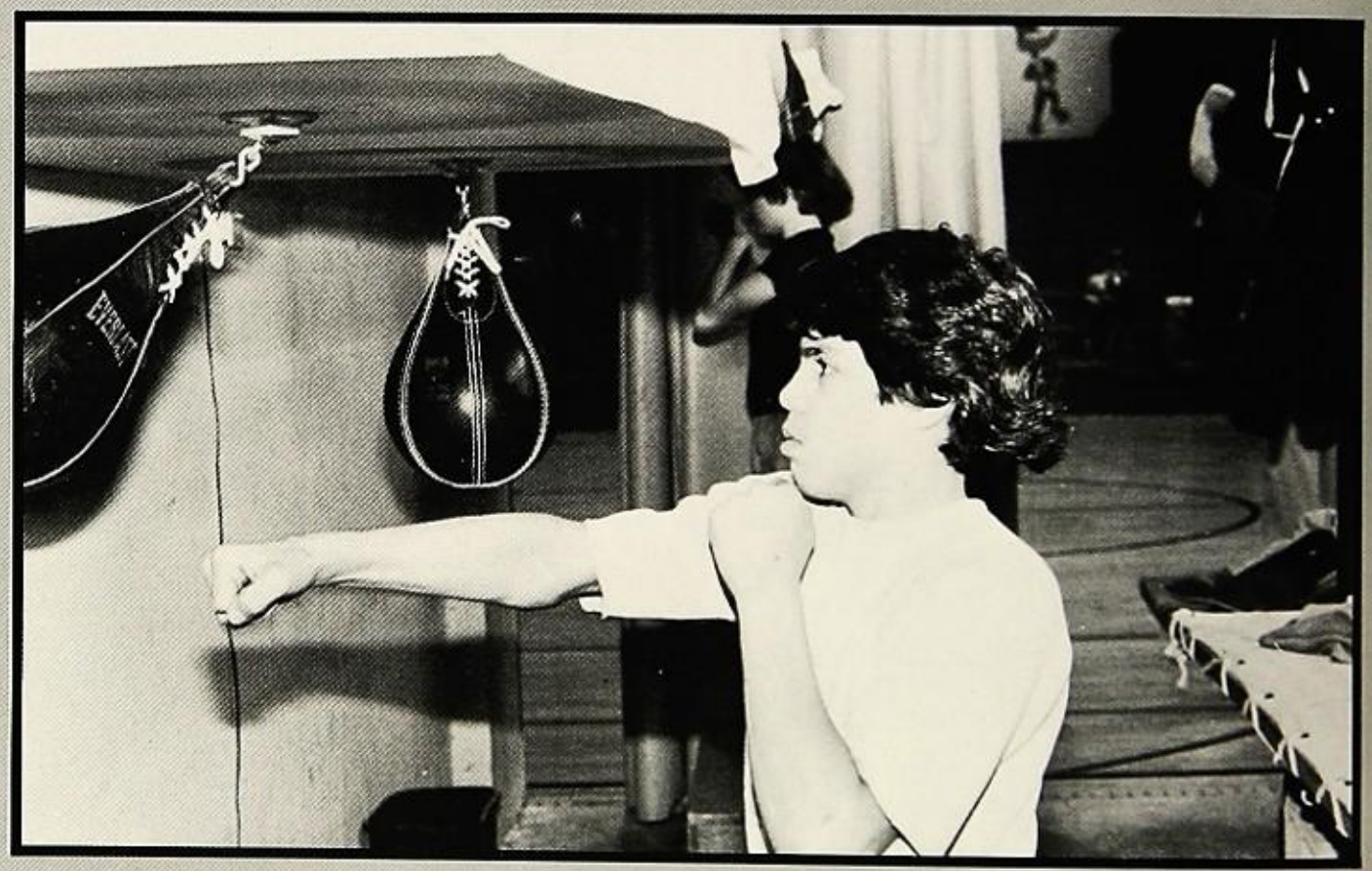
Rudy used 10- or 12—ounce gloves at practice sessions, but 8-ounce gloves were regulation size for matches. The reason for using heavier gloves at practice was that they help the boxer build up speed in his punches.

Rudy said he boxes in approximately five tournaments a year. He began entering these tournaments after about five months of experience.

A tour through the Pal Club with his uncle is what got Rudy interested in the sport of boxing. Rudy said his future plans are simply to "keep on boxing."



Hittin' hard. Rudy Guzman works out with the heavy bag during practice at the Pal Club.



Buildin' speed. Rudy Guzman works with the speed bag to build quickness in his punches.

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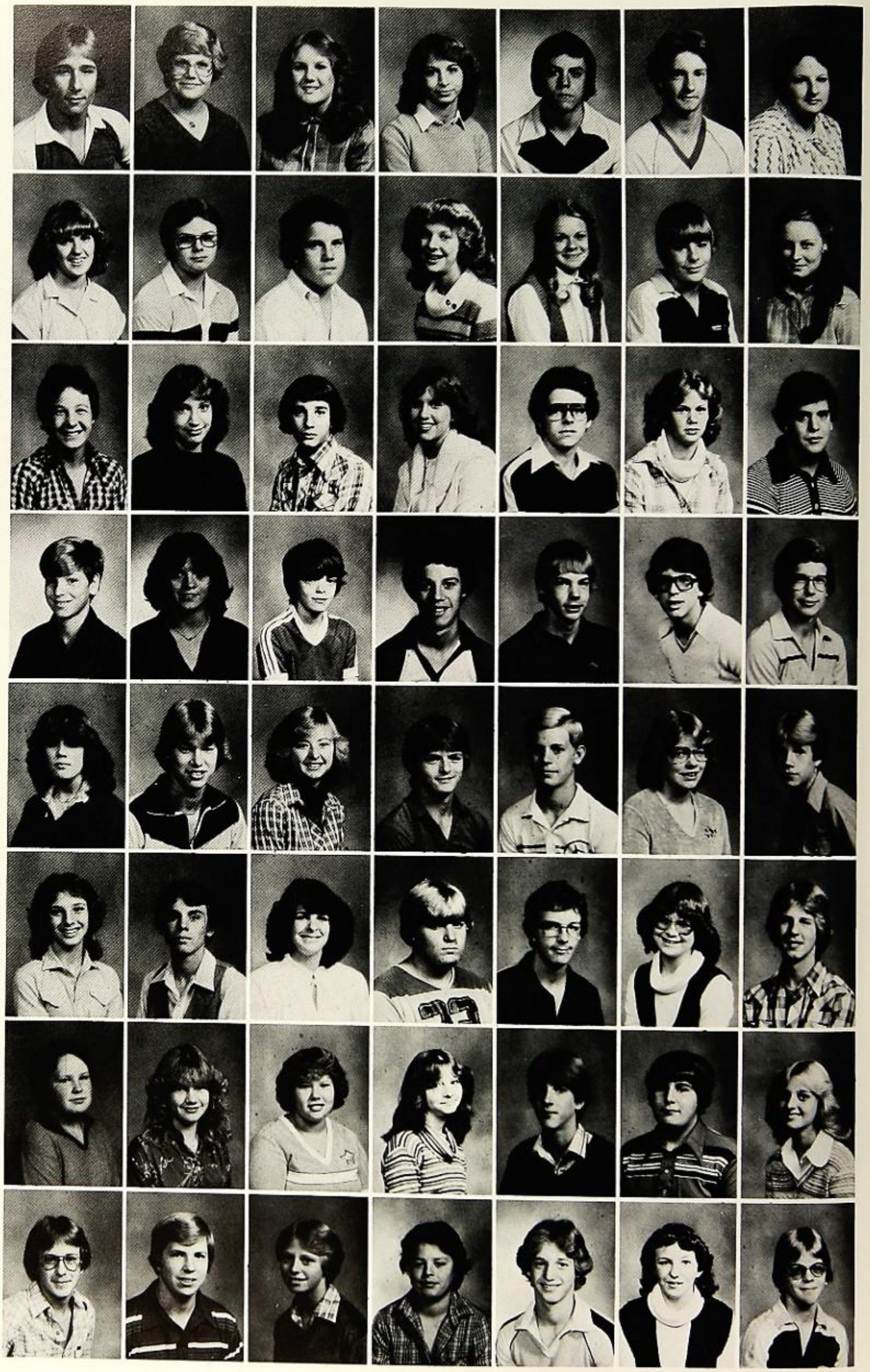


Freshmen kick into action

Kicks, strikes, punches, blocks, flips, and sweeps are common tactics for freshman karate buffs Tracy Davidson and Jim Patten.

Tracy and Jim have practiced karate, an oriental method of hand-to-hand combat, for five and two years respectively. Tracy has studied karate at Parker Shelton, and Jim has taken lessons at the Jim Boyles Studio. Both schools are located in Fort Wayne.

Tracy's interest in karate was sparked by a karate movie he saw when he was young, but Jim began taking lessons because he felt the sport looked "exciting and fun."

At their first lessons, the guys found learning Japanese words to be their biggest obstacle. Learning to concentrate and picture where kicks and punches would land were other karate techniques learned.

Jim said he enjoys karate because "it keeps you in shape." Tracy stated, "It's an art, something you never get perfect at."

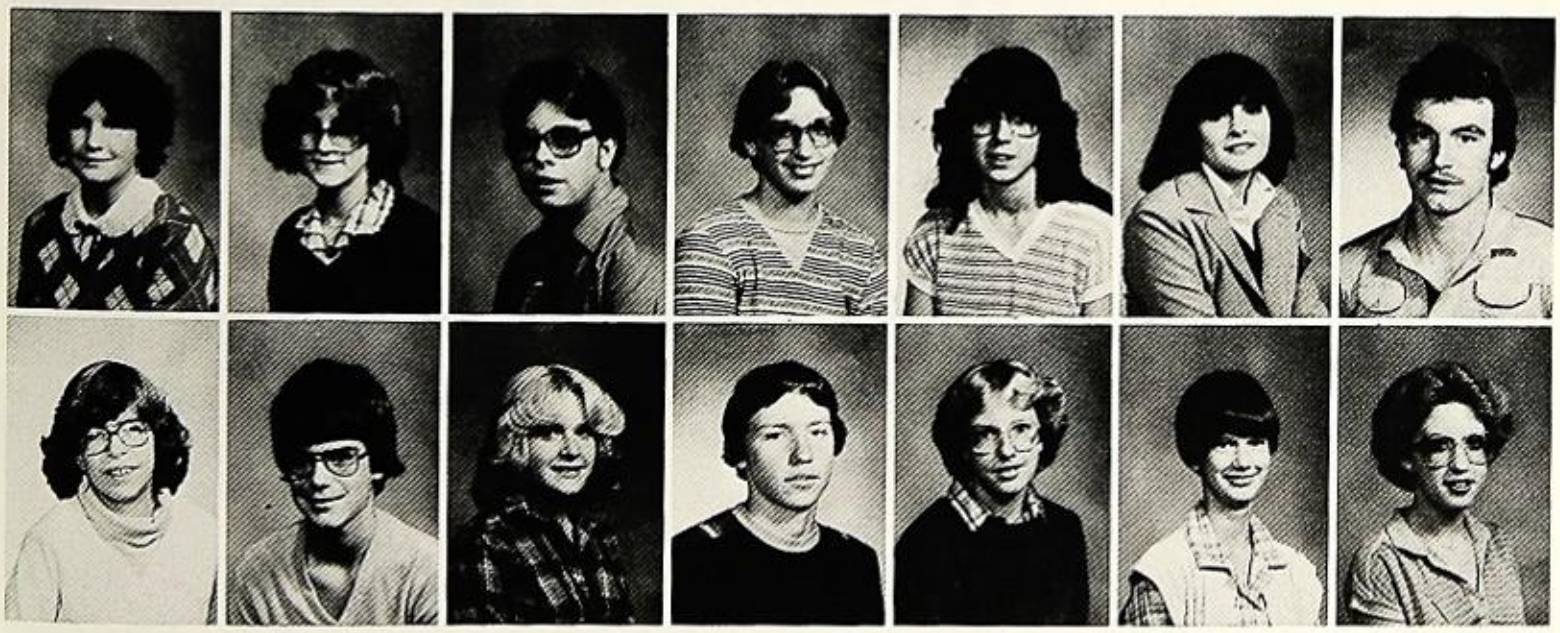
Monthly promotions are held for karate students to be judged on how much they have learned. If the judges feel the student deserves a promotion, he is advanced. Otherwise, the student has to practice until the next month's promotion so he can try again.

After attending several promotions, Jim received a yellow belt. Tracy was ranked as a blue belt and placed third in the Mid-continental.

To become a black belt is both of the guys' main karate goal, but achieving near perfection will require much dedication.

Putting his best foot forward. Tracy Davidson demonstrates kicking techniques.

Take that! Blue belt Tracy Davidson fends off a kick from yellow belt Jim Patten.



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Lydia Ziegler.

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Cheryl Johnston
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Crettie Sage
Sarah Smith
Cindy Sopko

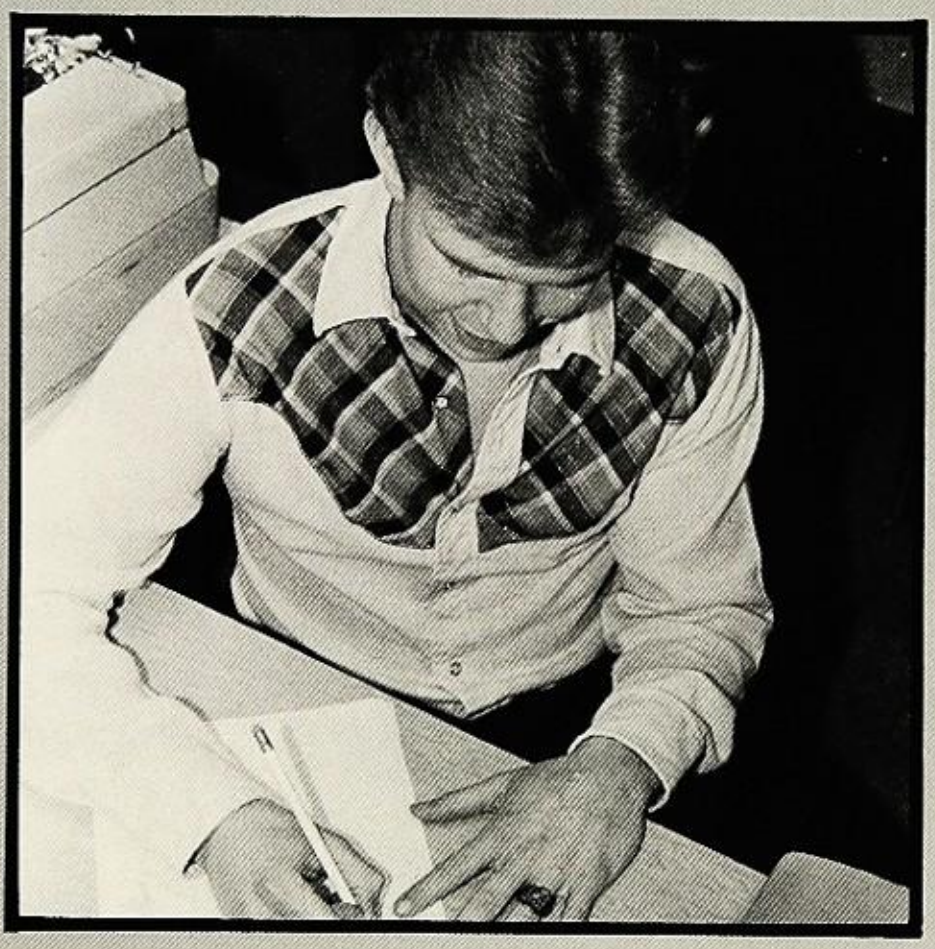
Rings add a shine to sophs' year

Sliding on those gold or silver rings with a "Class of '83" engraved on the side of them highlighted the year for the Sophomore Class. Faces beamed as sophomores excitedly compared their rings with their friends'.

Receiving class rings wasn't the only activity the Sophomore Class was involved in. They also took two group tests, the SRA Achievement Test and the Ohio Vocational Interest Survey.

The SRA Achievement Test was administered to see how well the students had advanced academically. The Ohio Vocational Interest Survey was given to see what occupations students would most likely enjoy and succeed at.

Sophomore Michael Hilsmier said, "The tests are helpful for those who haven't thought about what they're going to do after high school."



Ringing in the sophomore year. Class rings could easily be seen while students like Michael Hilsmier were writing.

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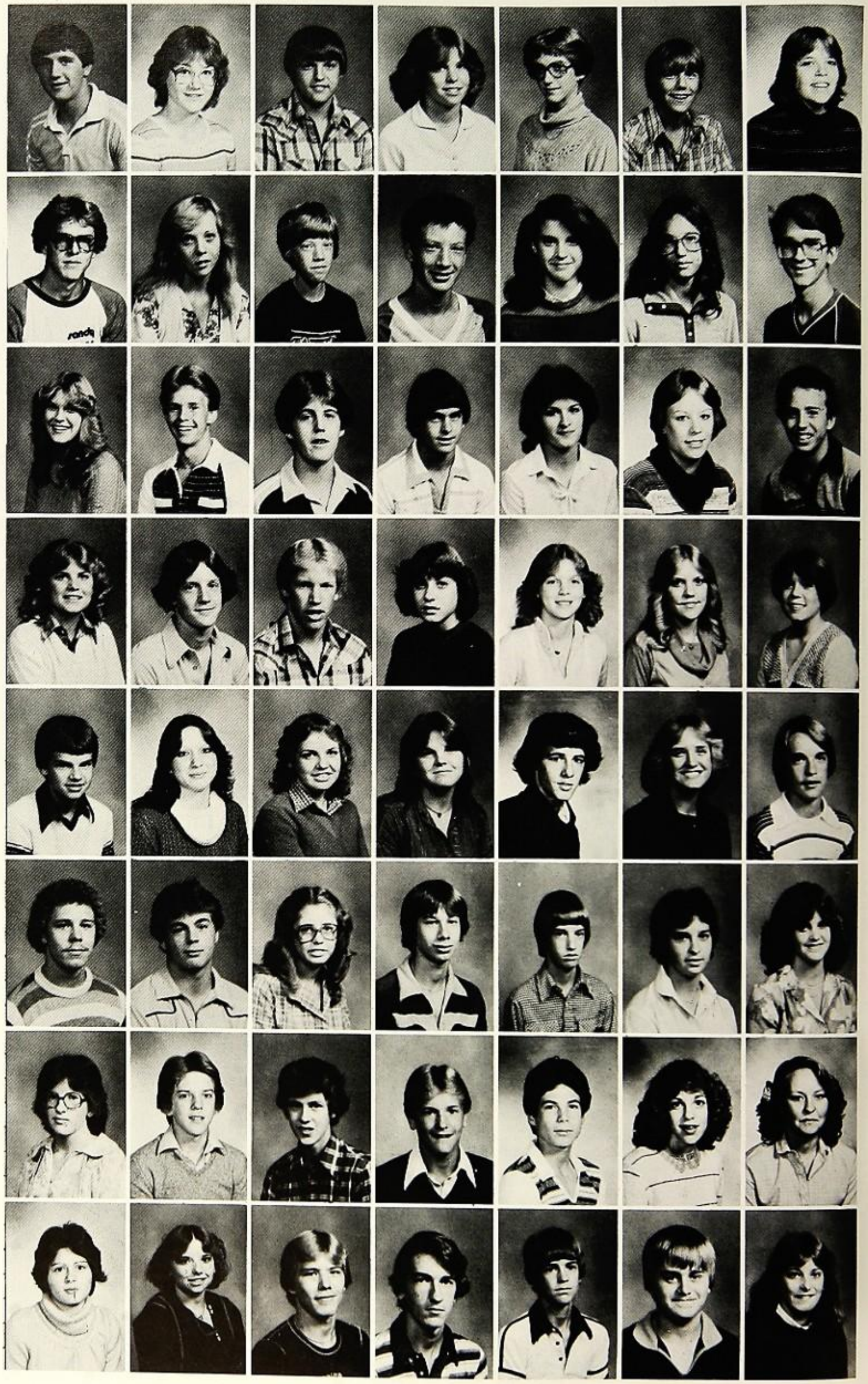


Rifle twirler shoots for nationals

Twirling her rifle to the tune of "Ease on Down the Road," Debbie Teeters added a little life to the halftime show during a home basketball game.

Debbie became interested in baton twirling seven years ago when she was watching a parade, but her rifle twirling career began two years ago. This was influenced mainly by her sister Bonnie, who is now her instructor.

Debbie journeyed to Seattle, Washington, for the United States Twirling Association Nationals in August. There she received third place on her rifle routine, which lasted a regulation one and one-half minutes. Debbie said this routine was performed without music, in accordance with the rules.

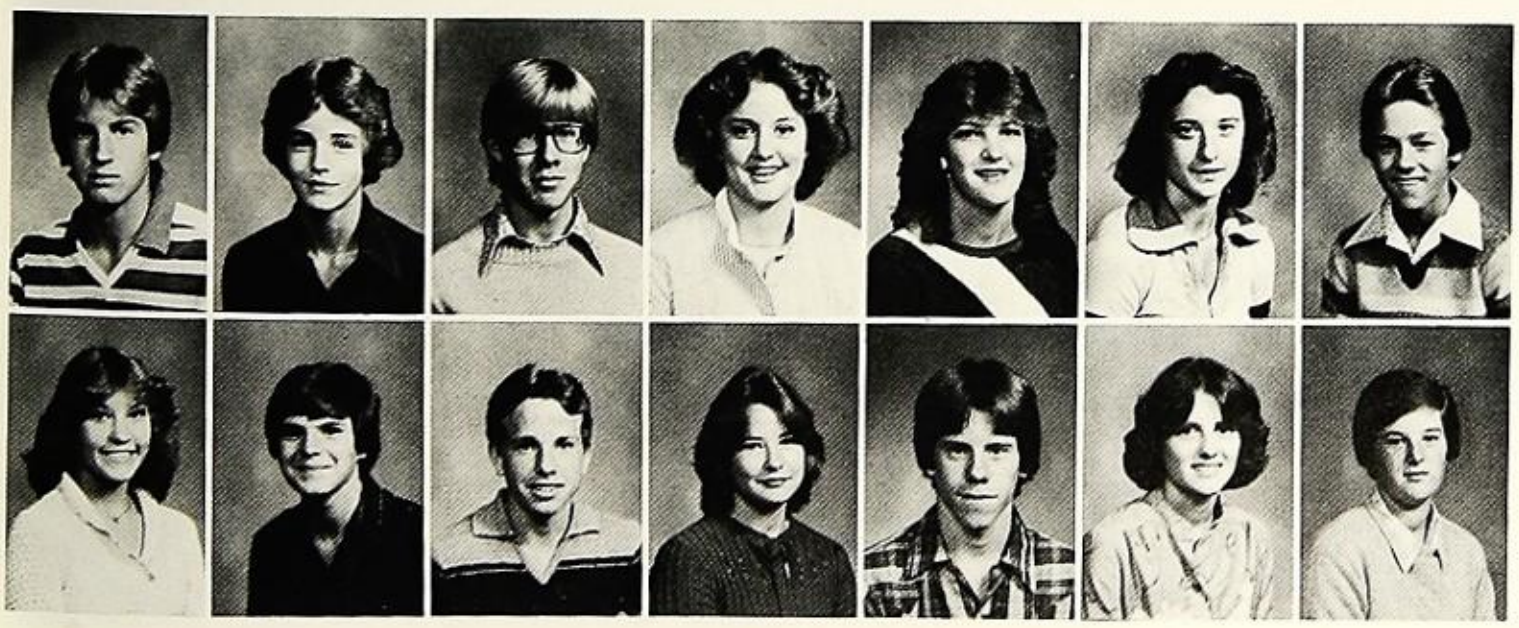
Although there are not many rifle contests, Debbie has twirled in exhibition at such places as 4-H Roundup and Indiana University. She also twirled in the 4-H Share-the-Fun Contest, where she received first place in the senior division.

Besides enjoying her own twirling career, Debbie also teaches 25 to 30 young twirlers named "Deb's Twirl-riffics."

She said her future goals are "to teach my twirling career to others, and to become a national champion."

Rifle tactics. Debbie Teeters twirls her rifle during halftime at a home basketball game.

Reach for it. Sophomore Debbie Teeters creates an illusion during her rifle routine.



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Jacque Morris
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Les Mygrant

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Andy Newcomer
Chris Norrick
Angie Norris
Ted Oakes
Lisa Osborn
Dawn Palmer

Real farmers

Everyone at the Castle has traditionally donned their bib overalls and cheered about farmer power, but only a select group can honestly say they are farmers.

Sophomores Mike Witte and Tim Gass are members of this exclusive group.

Every spring and fall, these guys man their tractors and head for the fields to plant and harvest crops consisting mainly of corn, beans, and wheat.

When they're not out in the fields harvesting or planting, Mike and Tim keep busy doing maintenance work on their equipment. Bailing straw and hay also gives these guys something to do during the summer months.

Mike said he enjoys farming because "nobody tells you what to do. You're on your own."

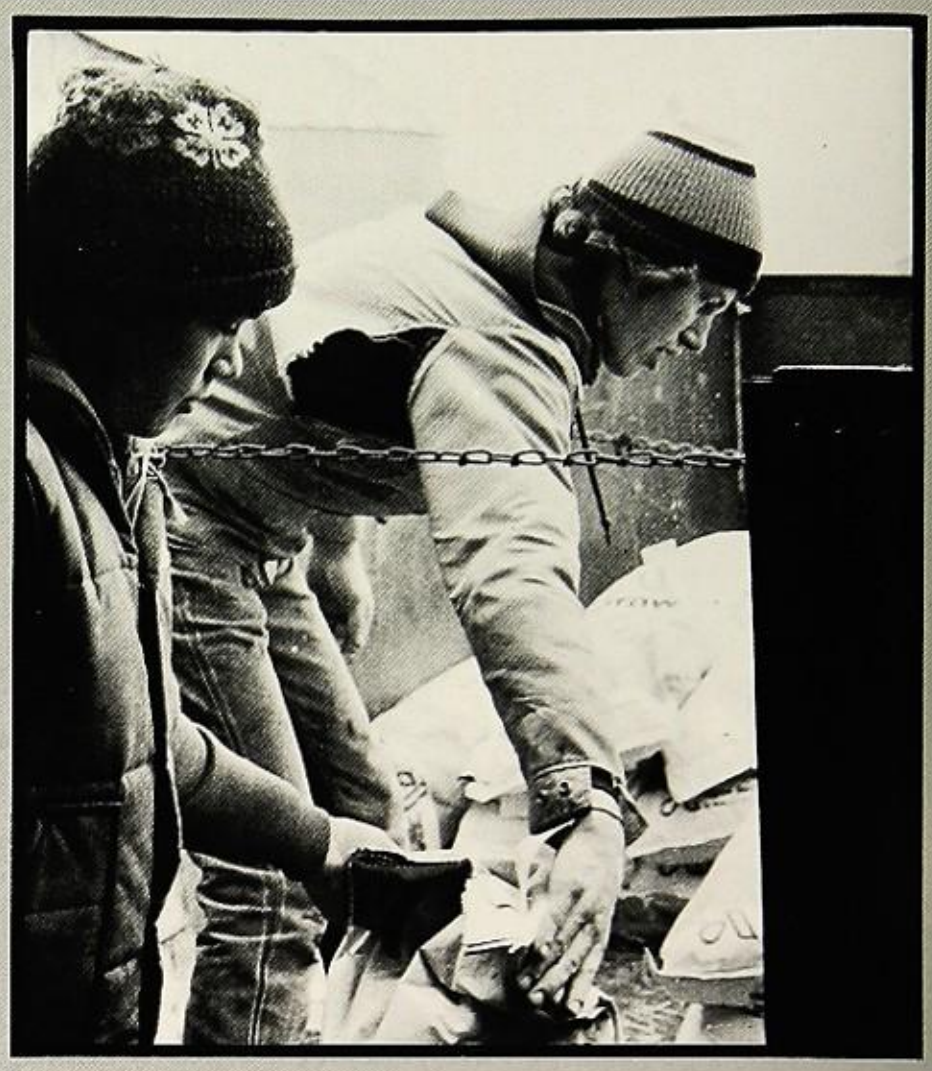
There are a few drawbacks to farming, however. Tim said his pet peeve about farming is "when things break down."

Two reasons why Tim and Mike farm are to uphold family tradition and to earn money.

Mike helps his father farm approximately 385 acres of land, while Tim assists his father in farming 300 to 400 acres.

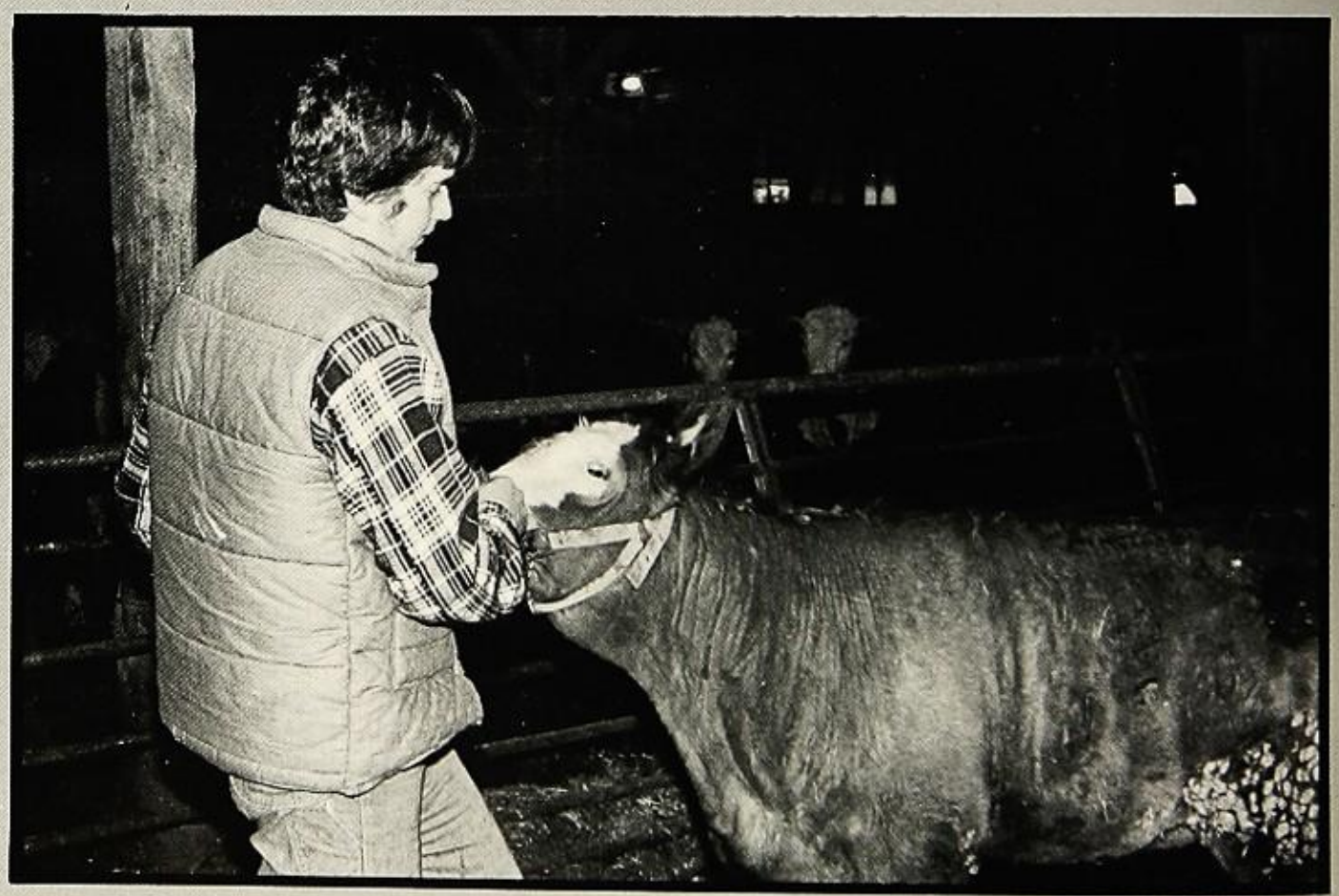
Grain farming is not the only type of farming Mike is involved in. He also owns livestock. Mike is in charge of a cattle operation consisting of 16 heifers, one bull, and several 4-H steers. Feeding and caring for cattle add to the hours Mike spends on the farm.

Mike said he plans to make farming his future occupation, while Tim's career plans lie elsewhere.



Load 'er up. Tim Gass, with his brother Herb's help, piles beans onto the truck.

Come along, little dogie. Mike Witte leads one of his heifers around the barn corral.



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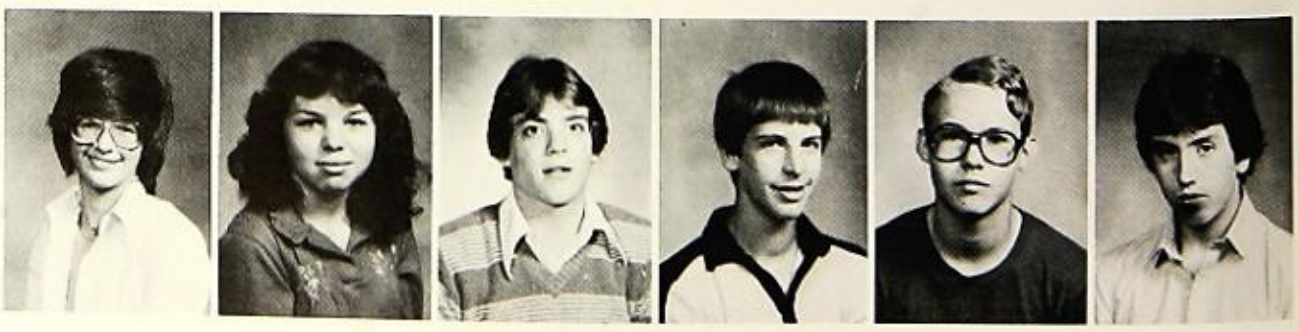

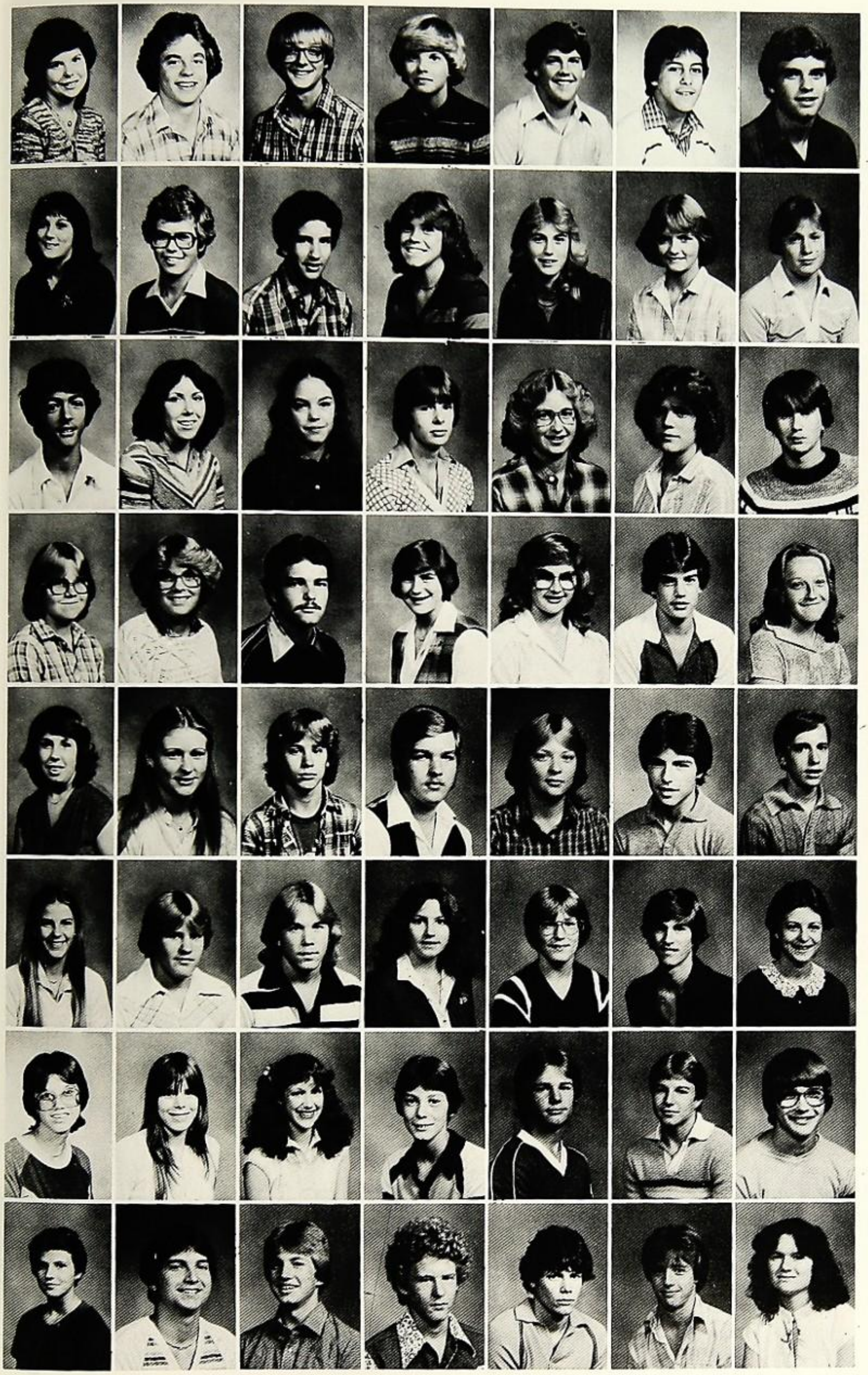

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Rhonda Sheckel
Brian Scheumann

Barry Schnieders
Nancy Schuerenberg
Kelly Scott
David Sherman
Stephanie Shilling
Laura Shumaker
Scott Shutt

Tammy Sizemore
Tonya Slater
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Marcia Smith
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Tom Teusch
Kaye Terry
Kris Thompson
Lanny Tillman
Deb Tonner

Beth Wallis
Susan Weaver
Kim Wegman
Kent Weikel
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Karen Zimmerman

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John Bauermeister
Jo Ellen Huffman
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Lisa McKnight
Dilly Moreno

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Bryon Arnold
Dave Ault
Ron Bacon
Pam Barger

Linda Barr
Susan Barr
Zina Barrett
Tammy Bate
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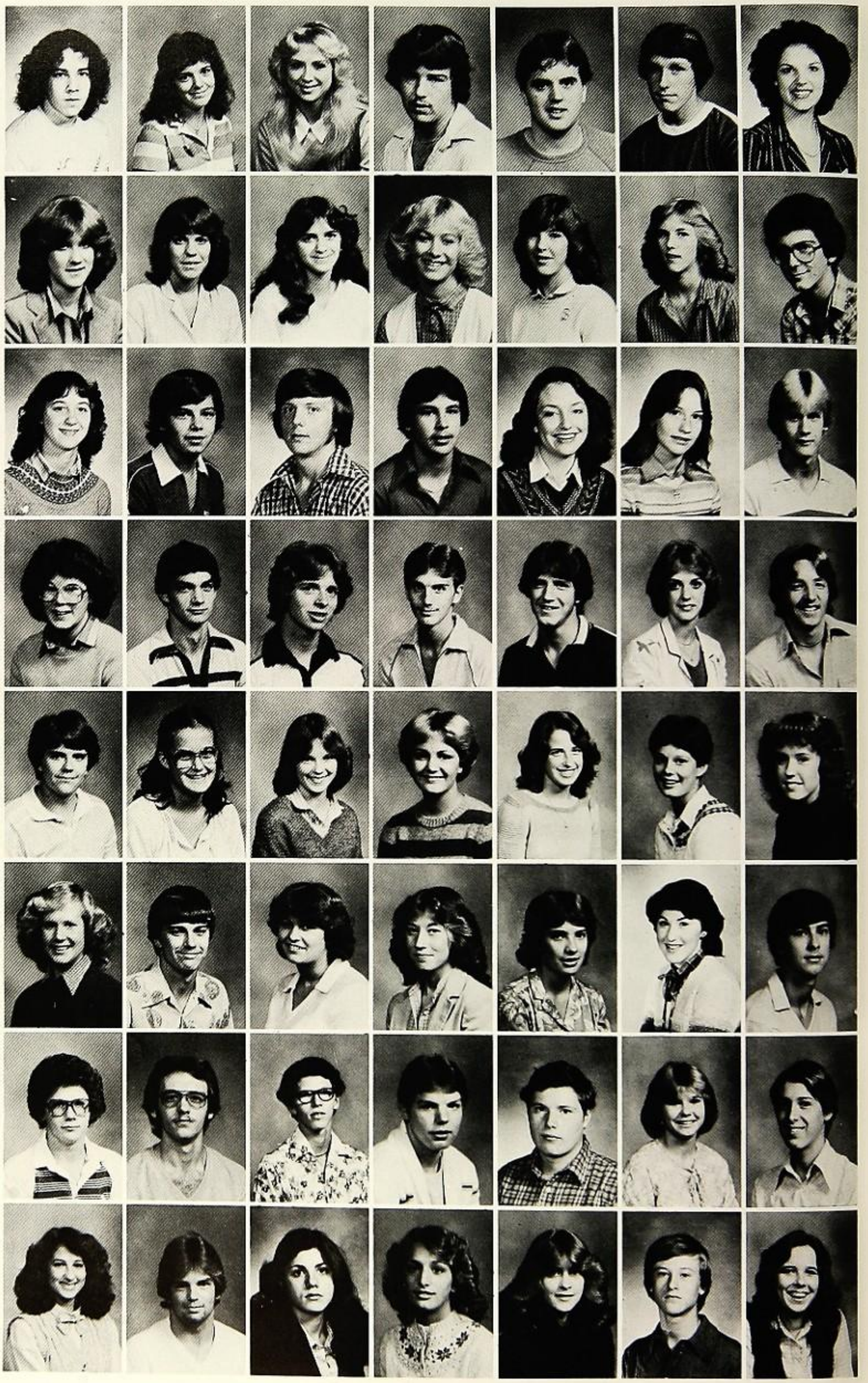


Junior salesmen invade the Castle

"The boxes are two dollars and the bars are one dollars." This phrase was recited by juniors to prospective buyers all over the Northern Wells area. Juniors piled into their cars and drove throughout the countryside selling candy in hopes of being top salesperson.

Tammy Gerber won the first-place sales award. She received car speakers for her effort.

Money earned from the candy slaes was deposited to the class fund to pay for prom expenses.

Juniors who were considered going on to college took the PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) and the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test).

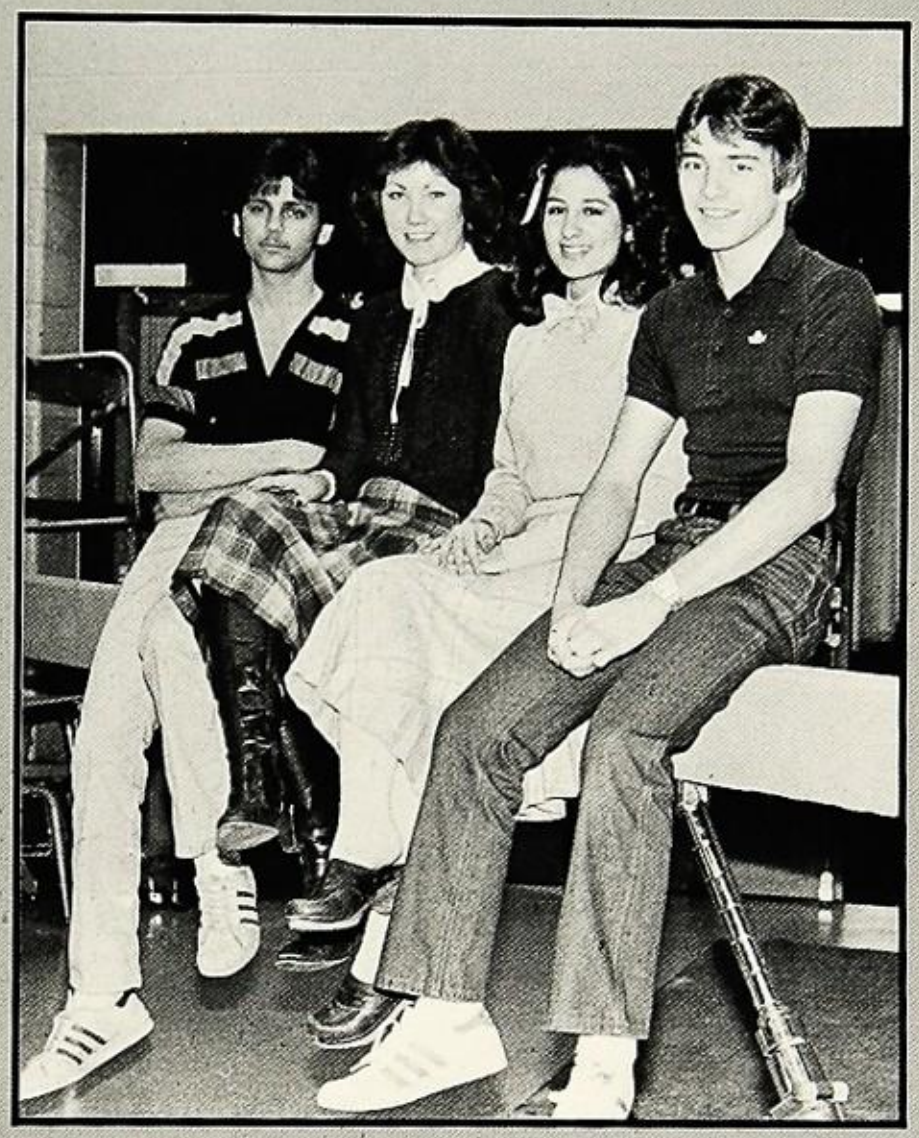
The PSAT was given to help juniors prepare for the SAT, which must be taken prior to filling out most college applications.

Junior Alan Tripp said, "The PSAT was beneficial because similar questions were asked on the SAT."

The Junior Class also arranged the prom, which was held at the Marriott Inn in Fort Wayne.

Junior Class Officers. Randy Shumaker, treasurer; Stacy Kitchin, vice president; Gigi Delgado, secretary; Doug Weikel, president.

Dig in. Cheryl Gerber sorts through her candy sack to see if her crunch bars are all there.



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Sherri Frauhiger
Marty Fusselman
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Cheryl Gerber
Jill Gerber
Kent Gerber

I can see myself! Brenda Bauermeister and Denise Scheumann play cards on the oak table Brenda made for 4-H.

Seeing Spots. Cheri Decker, Kris McBride, and Dawn Bauermeister look over the Spot litter of pigs Cheri showed at the 4-H fair.

Brandy, heel! Cheri Decker puts her dog Brandy through the paces learned in the 4-H Dog Club.

Learnin' leadership in 4-H

"I pledge my head to clear thinking; my heart to greater loyalty; my hands to larger service; my health to better living for my club, my community, my country, and my world."

Juniors Brenda Bauermeister, Dawn Bauermeister, Cheri Decker, Kris McBride, and Denise Scheumann have recited this pledge many times throughout their 4-H careers.

4-H is an organization designed to help kids develop leadership qualities and responsibility through such club activities as organizing training sessions, paper drives, and service projects.

Crafts, Foods, Swine, Clothing, and Junior Leaders are common projects taken on by these junior girls.

Of these projects, Junior Leaders is the favorite. Brenda said she enjoys this project because "you get to go on trips with junior leaders from other counties."

The main goal for these 4-H'ers is to receive a grand champion ribbon on their project at the county 4-H fair and go on to the state fair.

Kerry Gerber
Lynn Gerber
Renee Gerber
Tammy Gerber
Vincent Gerber
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Rhonda Graft

Alfonso Guzman
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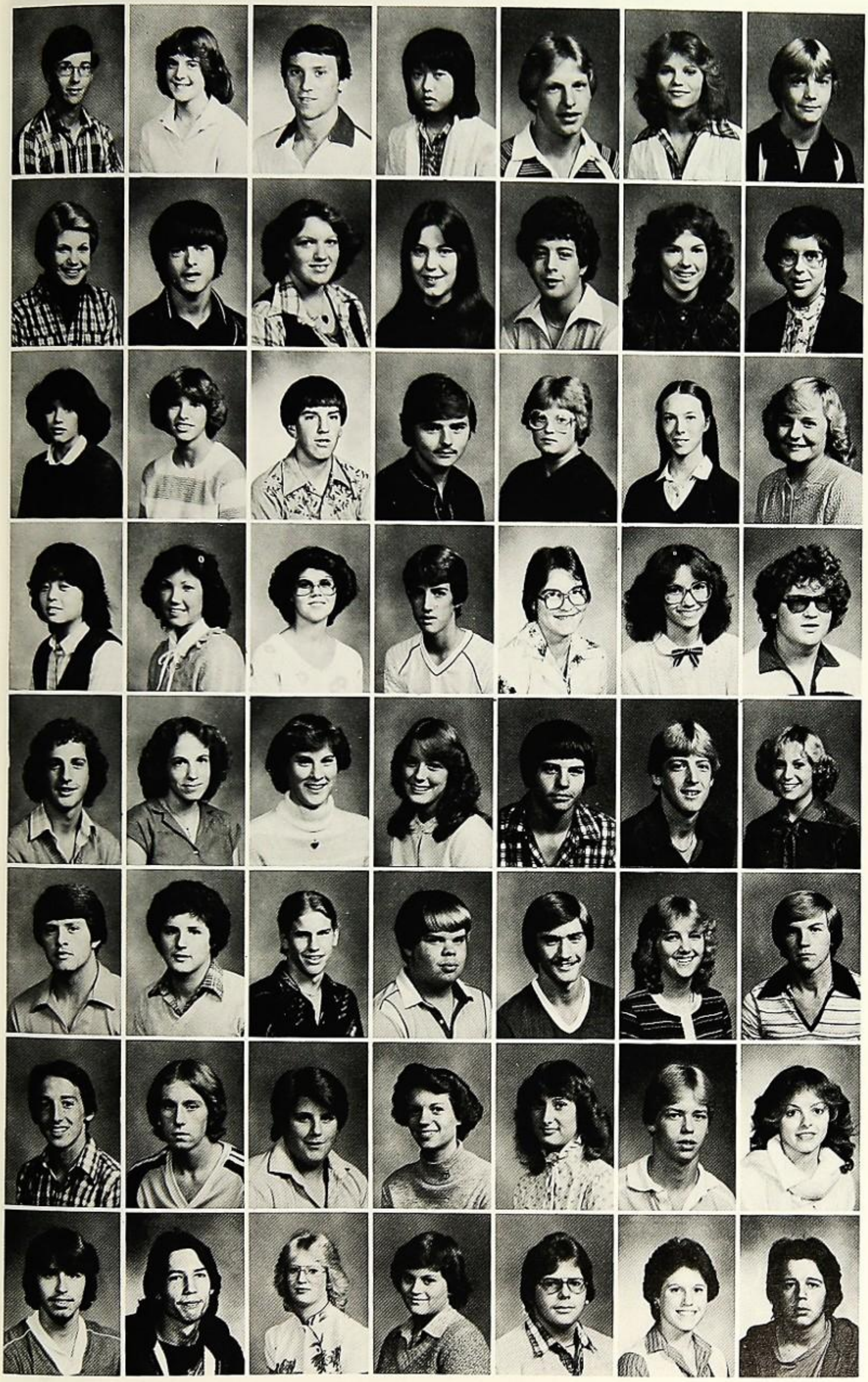

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Julie James

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Denise Johnloz
Dave Johnson
Rick Johnson
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Susan Kimmer

Mika Kitahara
Stacy Kitchin
Robin Kling
Kirk Kolstad
Sheila Kunkel
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Kris Martin
Jann McAfee
Kris McBride
Cliff McCune

Doug McDowell
Jack McGlone
Randy Melching
Deb Metzger
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Eric Milholland
Mariann Miller

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Sharon Morris
Brian Moser
Juli Mossburg
Dave Murray

Mike Neubeck
Shelley Newbury
Shawn Norrick
Abby Norris
Mark Numbers
Kevin Osborn
Penny Osborn

Jody Owens
Fred Perrin
Truques Polderman
Julie Prichard
Rhoda Pugh
Christina Ramsey
Sheila Ramseyer

Diane Reed
Sheri Reeves
Sherri Reffeitt
Ann Rekeweg
Terri Reppert
Deb Rhodes
William Richardson

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Dana Sadler

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John Schnieders
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Troy Smith
Keith Snider
Kent Somers
Ken Sparks
Kelly St. John
Thomas Stayanoff

Greg Steele
Doug Steffen
Tobias Steffen
Michele Stohler
Brenda Taylor
Mike Taylor
Veronica Teague

Ed Thompson
Kent Thompson
Quent Thompson
Perry Tomei
Matt Topp
Cheri Tracey
Alan Tripp

Wired for sound. Jon Hartigan monitors his equipment at an after-game dance in the gym.

DJ puts NHS into a spin

Who spun the records that had Norwell dancing at various after-game dances?

Jon Hartigan was the guy who brought those club-sponsored dances in the gym and cafeteria to life.

Jon enjoyed working at dances. "It's fun to set something up and get the satisfaction of hearing it done right," he said.

Acid rock groups such as AC/DC and black rock groups like the Commodores were favorites among Norwell students, according to Jon.

He said his biggest problem with working dances was students asking him to play songs he didn't have or songs that were hard to dance to. Jon's most embarrassing moment while spinning records was when he announced one song, but played something else.

At a typical dance, Jon was surrounded by two thousand dollars of equipment, most of which was owned by the school. He did use his own turntable, records, and tapes, however.

Since much of the equipment Jon used was owned by the school, most of the money earned went to the school electronics repair fund. The remaining portion was used to update Jon's record and tape collection.

In addition to his work at dances, Jon spent many hours setting up sound systems for organizations such as Brass Impact and Chamber Singers. He also did minor equipment maintenance, such as replacing bad speaker wires.

Jon credited Norwell graduate Maurice Cossairt for getting him interested in working with sound systems.

Although Jon does not plan to pursue a career in sound engineering, he said he may continue to play records at dances to earn some cash and because he feels "dances should be something special."

Decisions. Jon Hartigan checks his song list at the SunShine Christmas Dance.

Lori Van Meter
Kraig Vardaman
Kurt Vardaman
Paul Vavrek
Dan Waksman
Mark Warthman

Cliff Watson
Doug Weikel
Joe Weiches
Dawn Werling
Glen Werling
Mike Wicks

Renata Wilson
Lanette Wohlford
Paula Wolf
Keith Woodward
Neal Worden
Brent Yager

Not Pictured
Tammy Burk
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Tim Williams

We cannot discover new

oceans unless we have courage

to lose sight of the shore.

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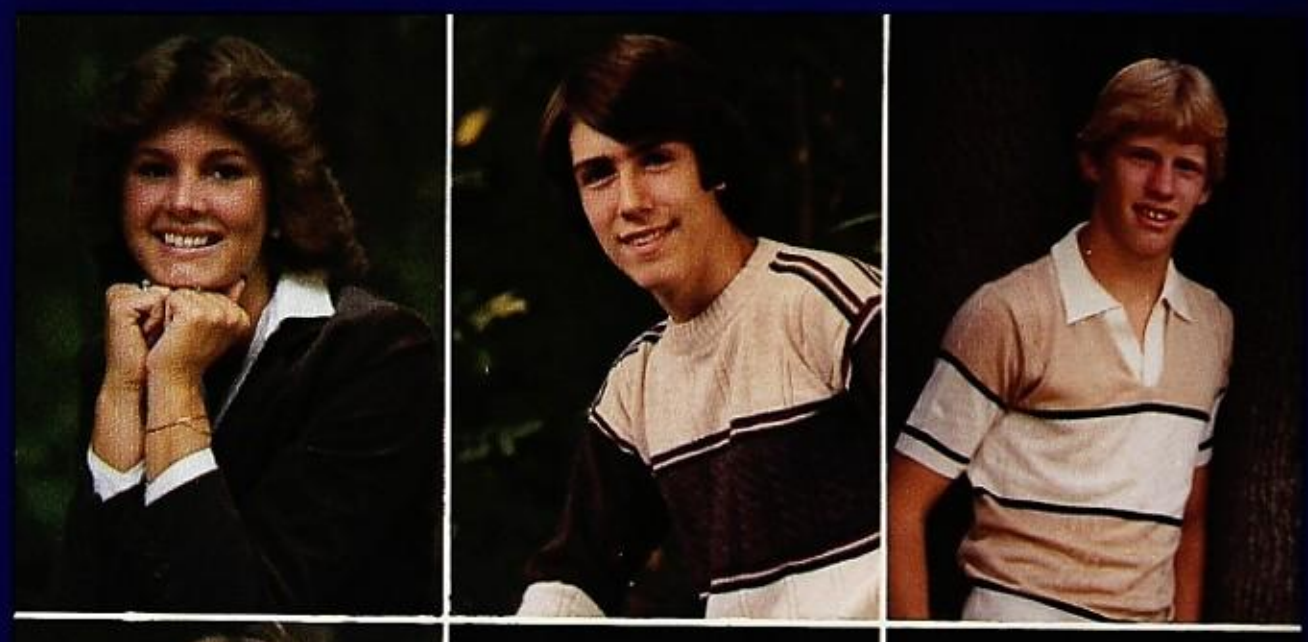

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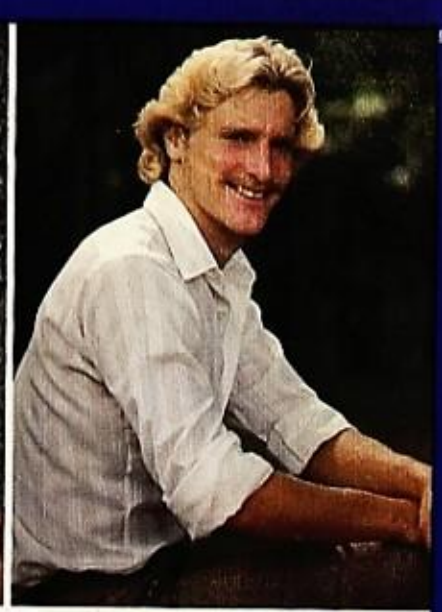

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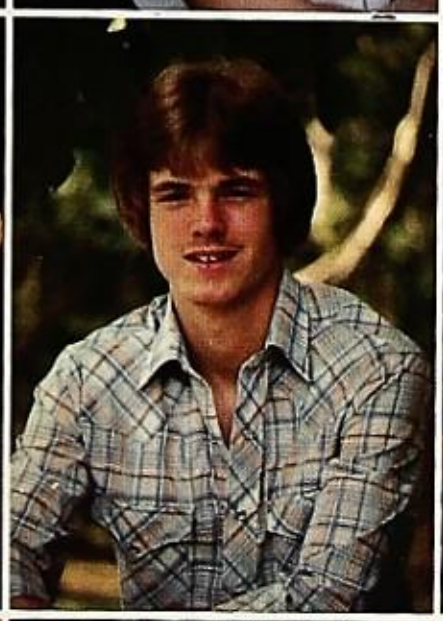

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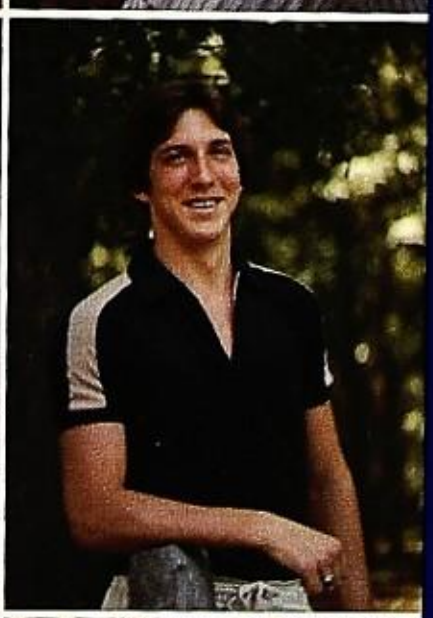

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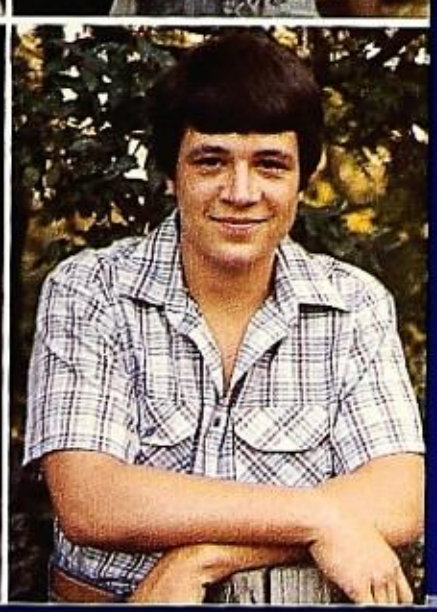

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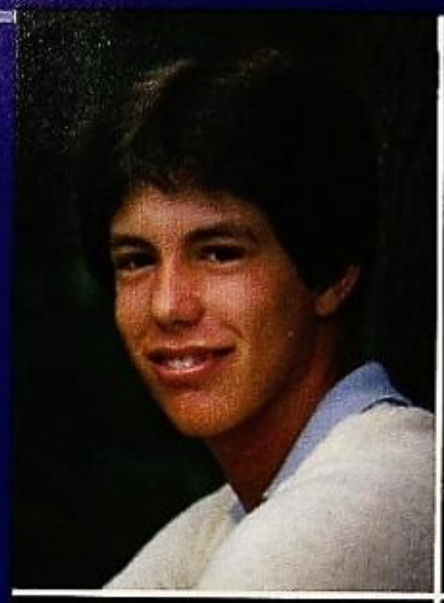

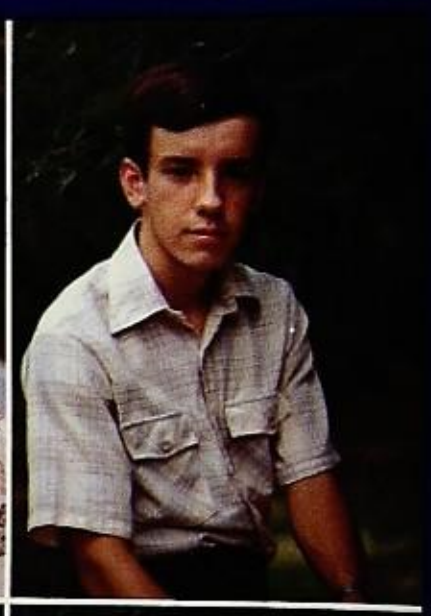

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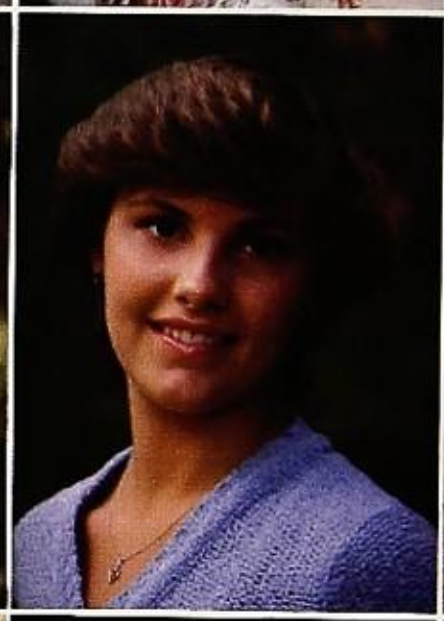

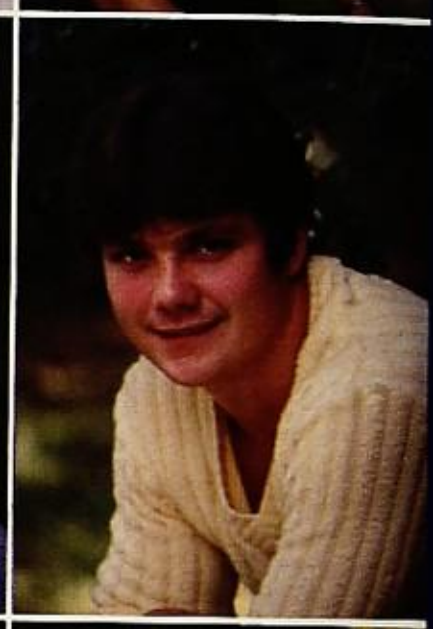

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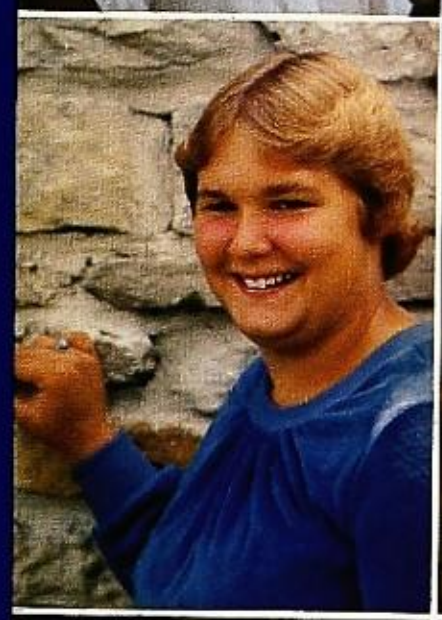

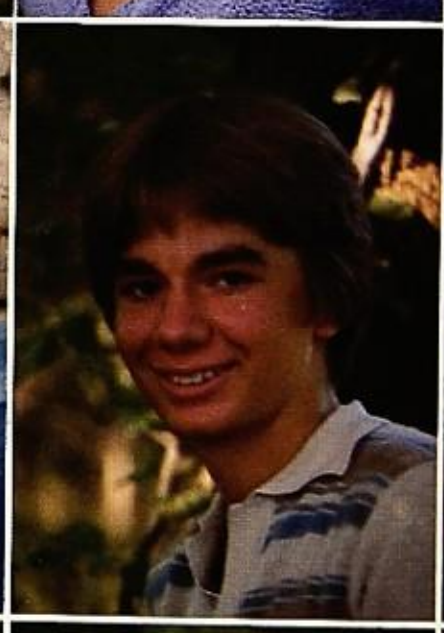

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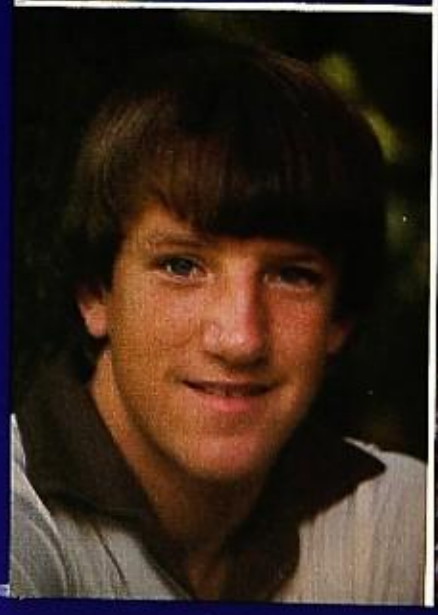

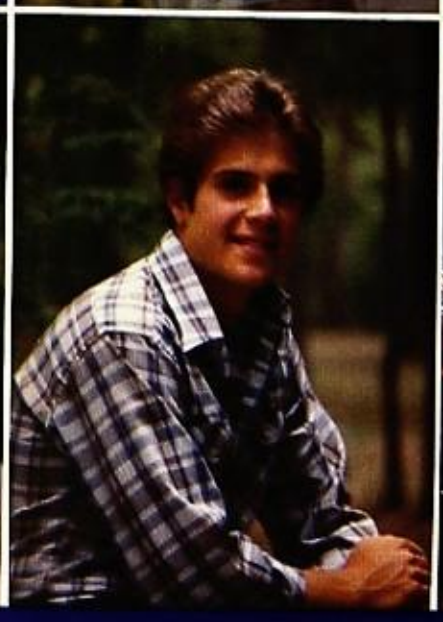

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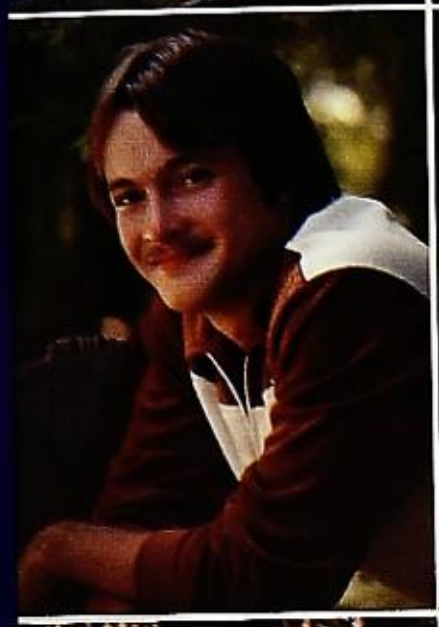

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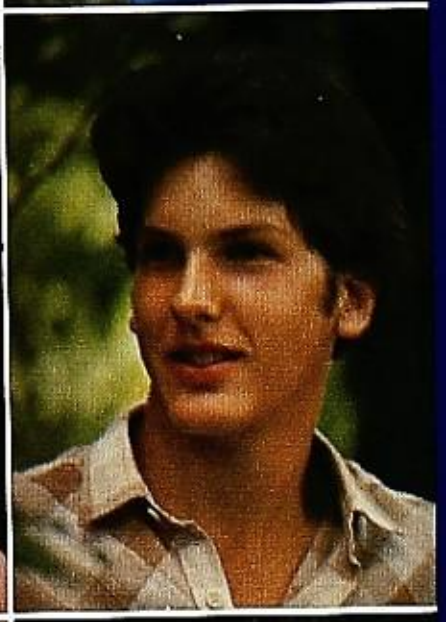

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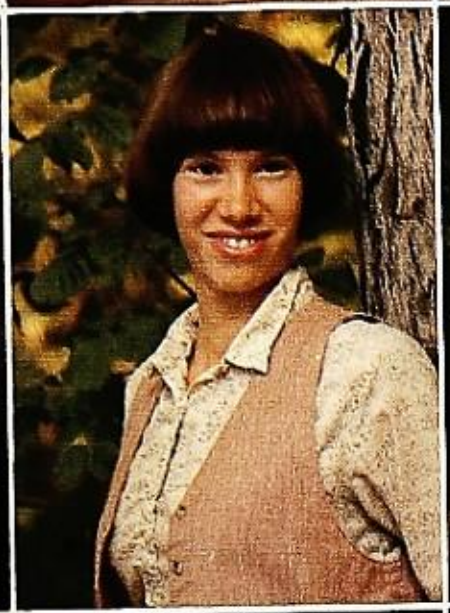

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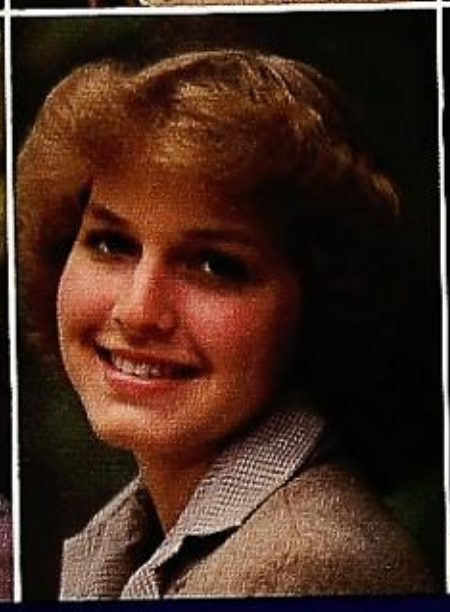

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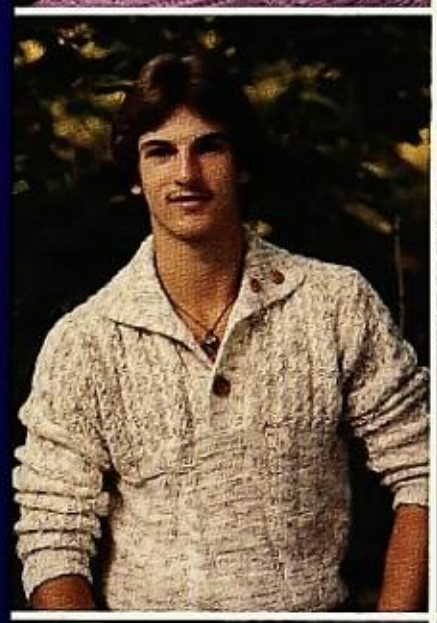

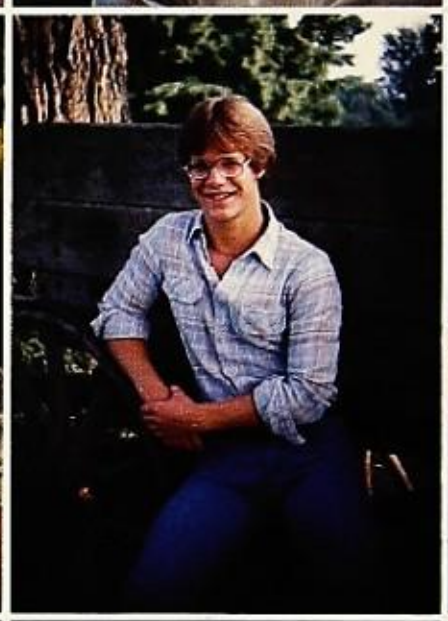

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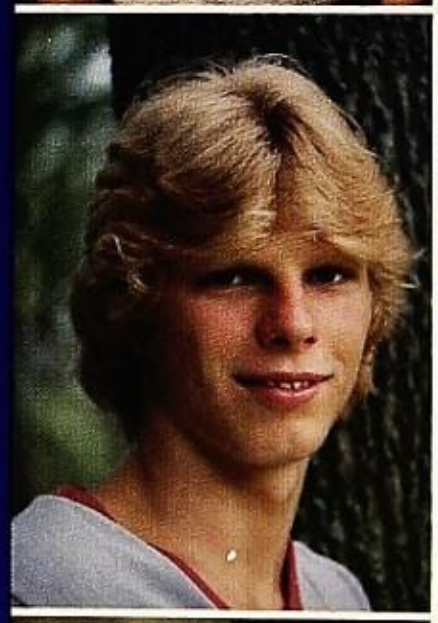

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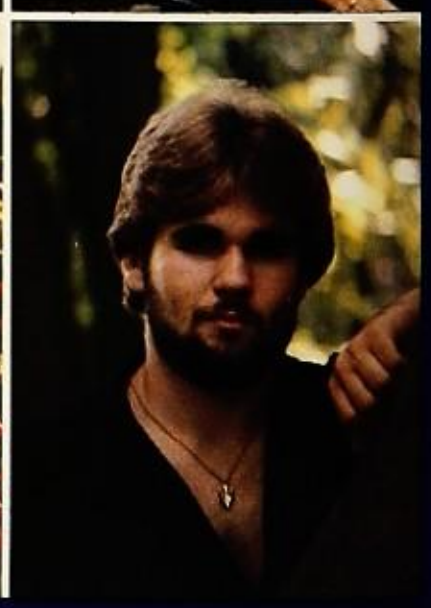

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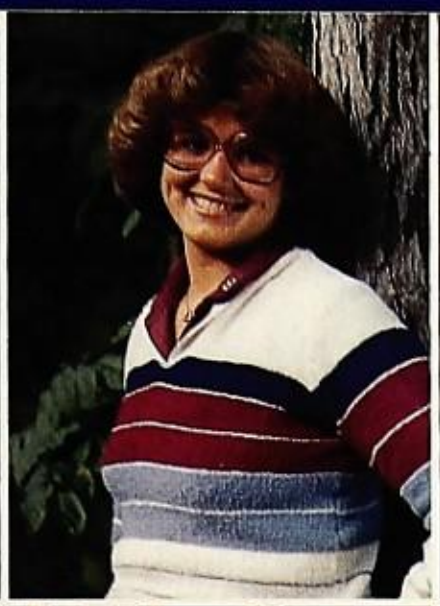

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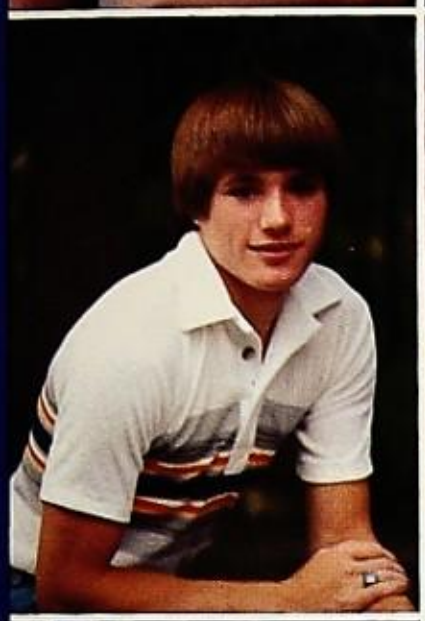

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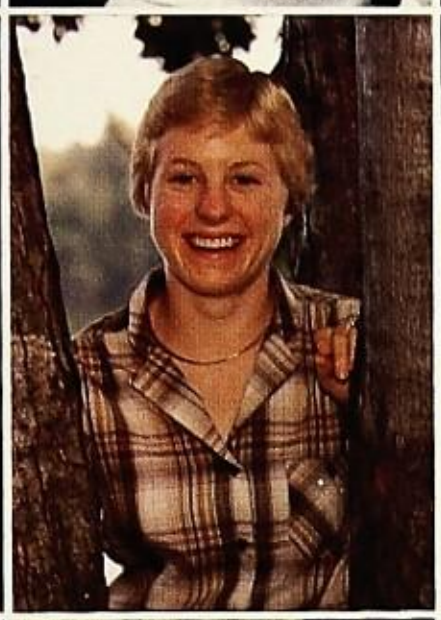

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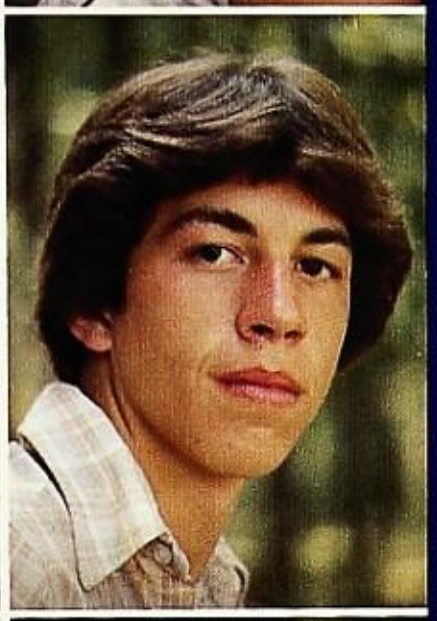

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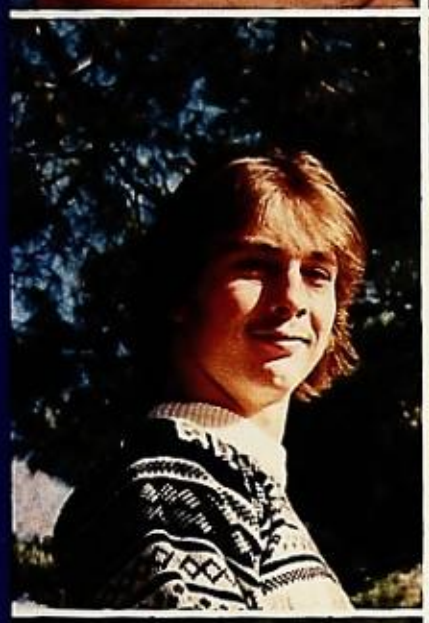

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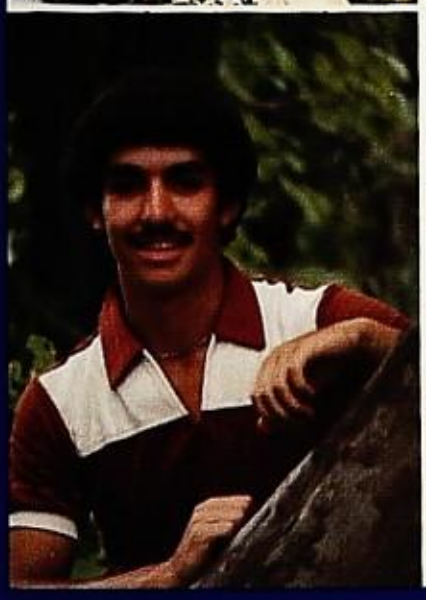

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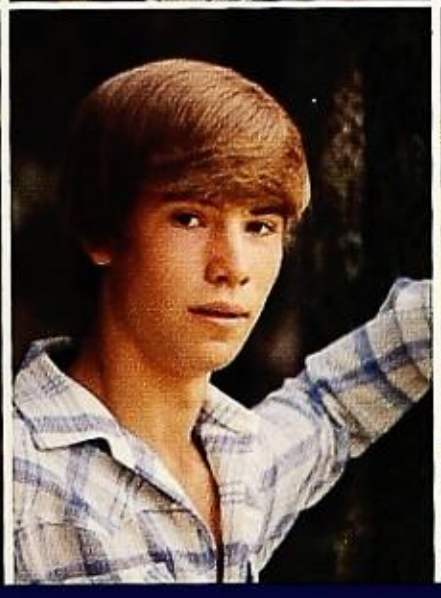

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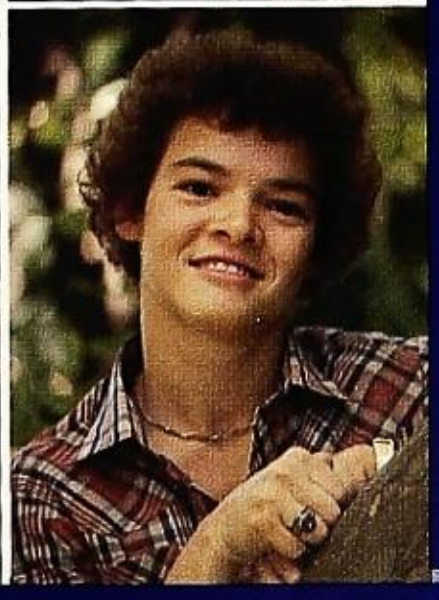

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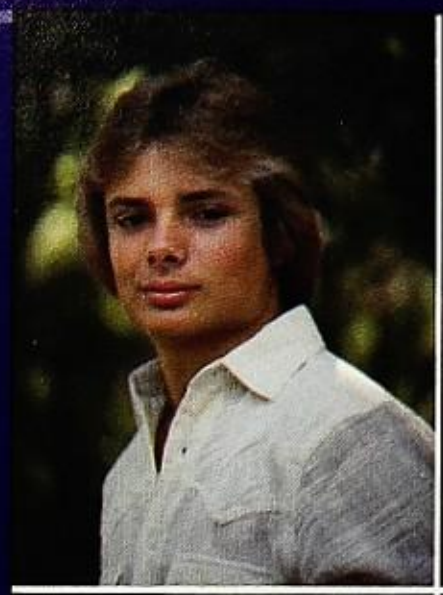

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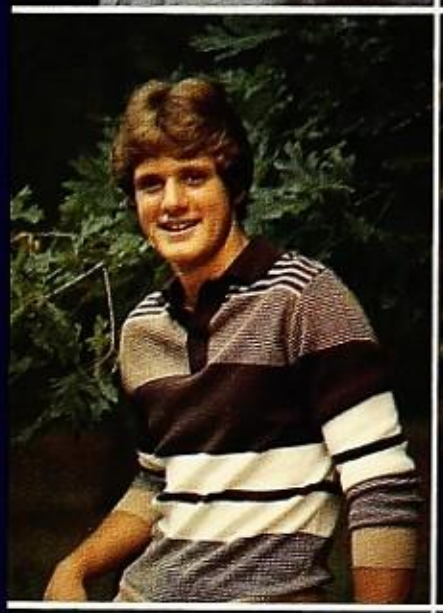

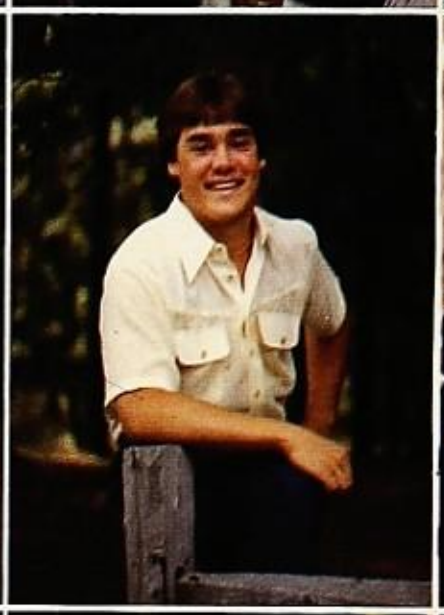

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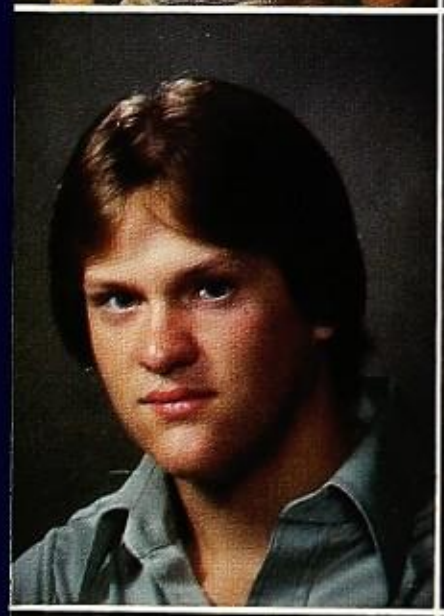

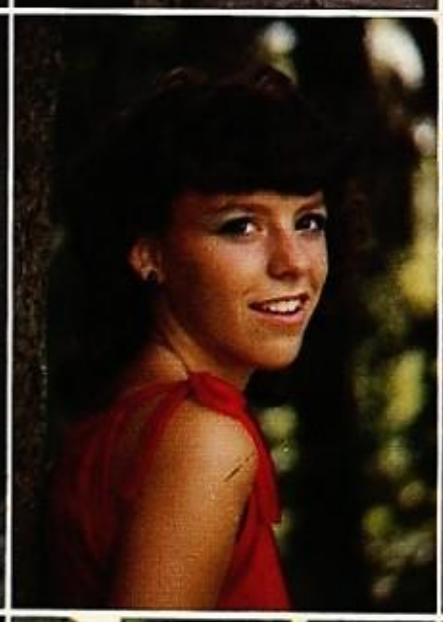

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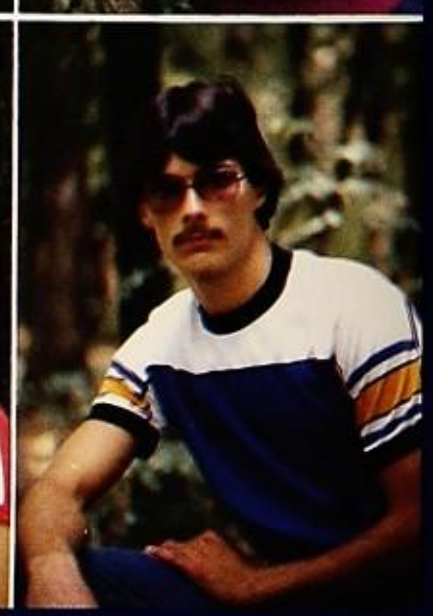

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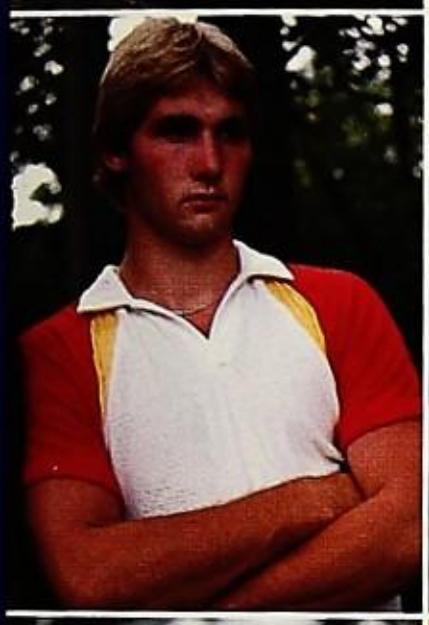

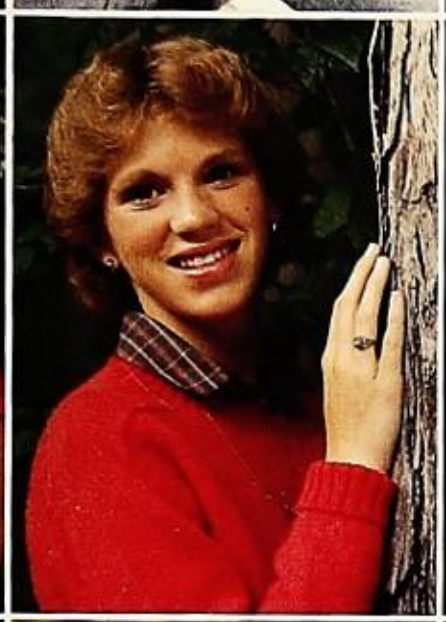

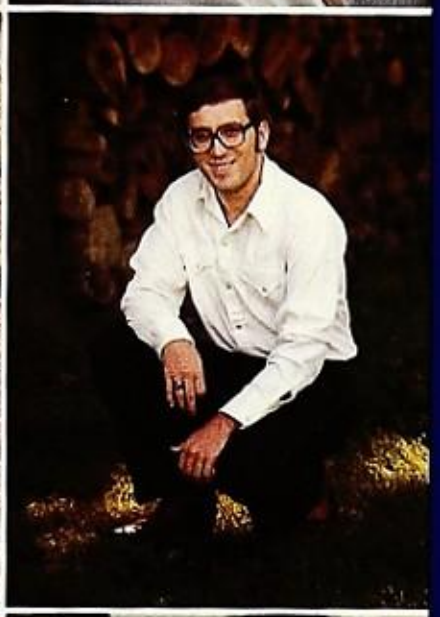

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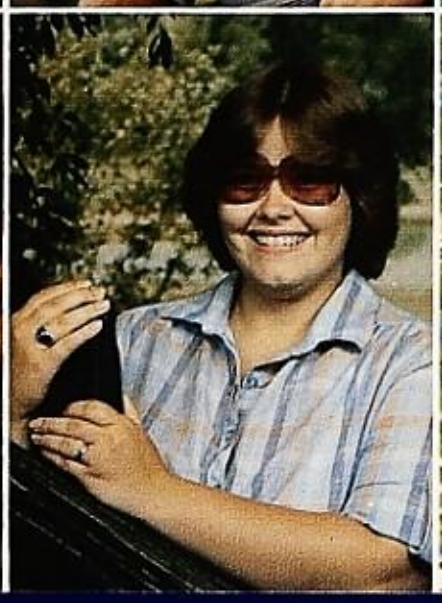

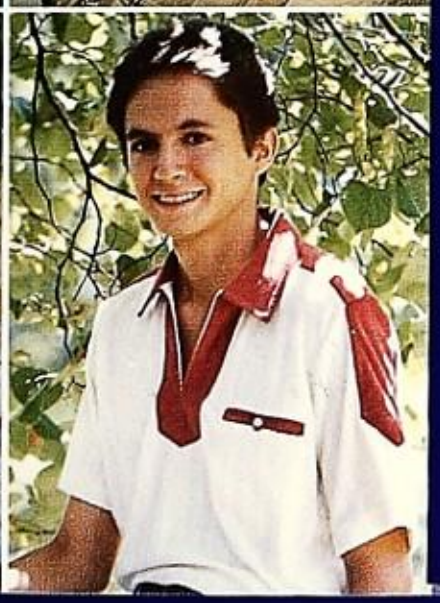

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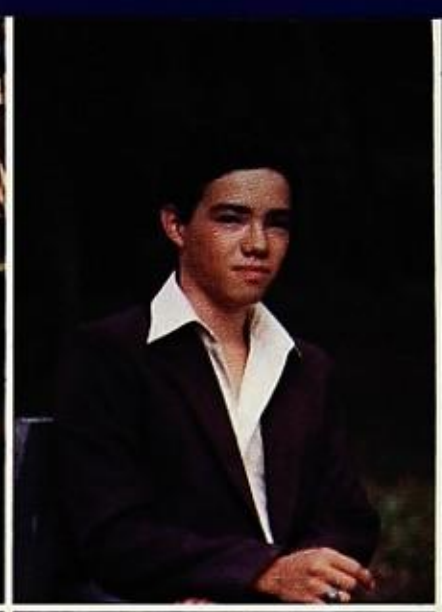

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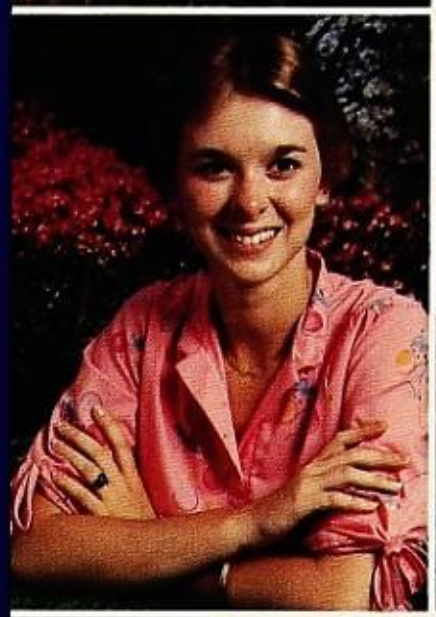

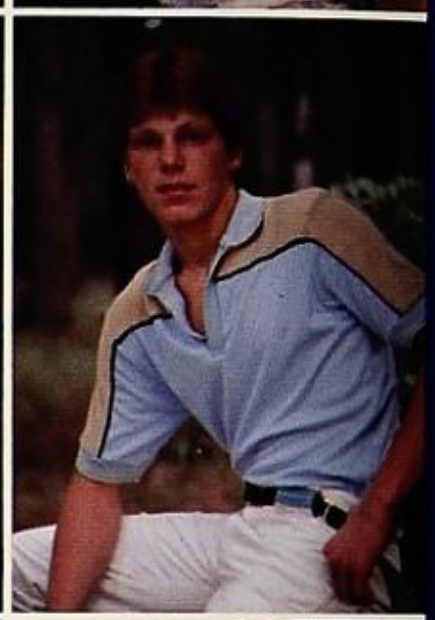

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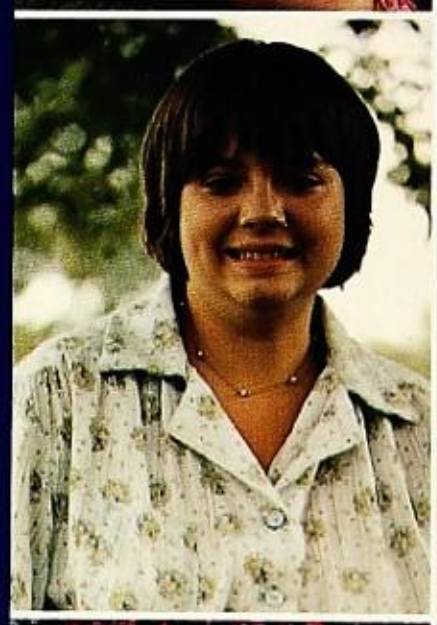

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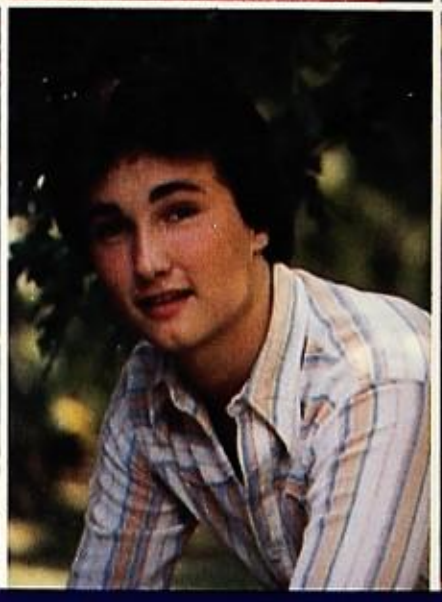

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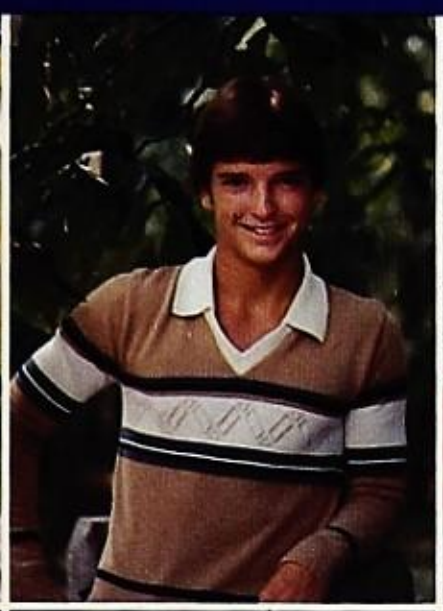

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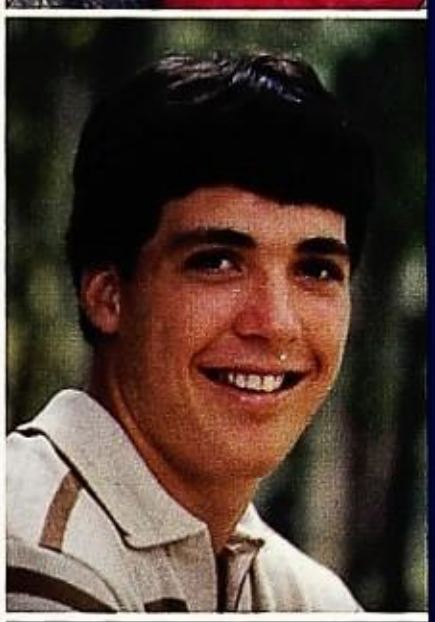

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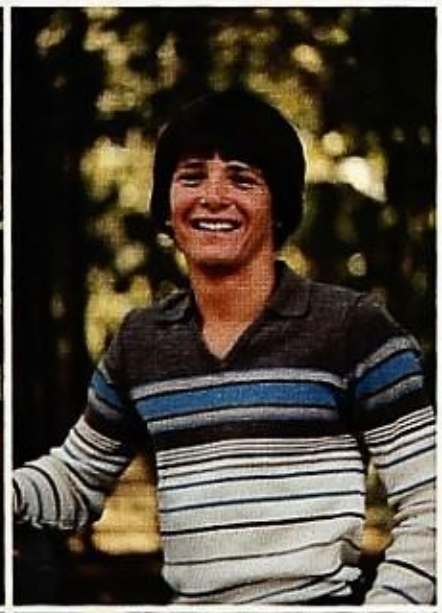

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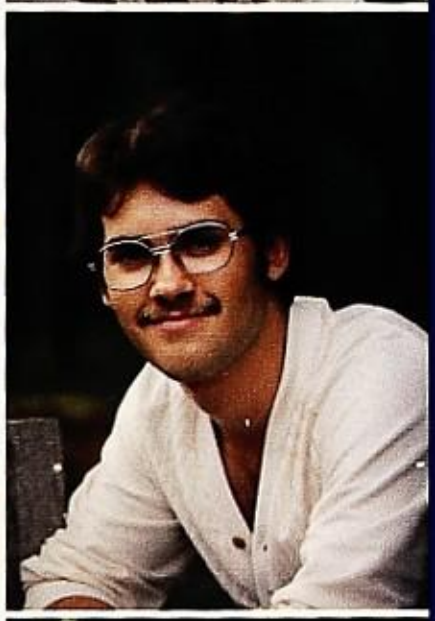

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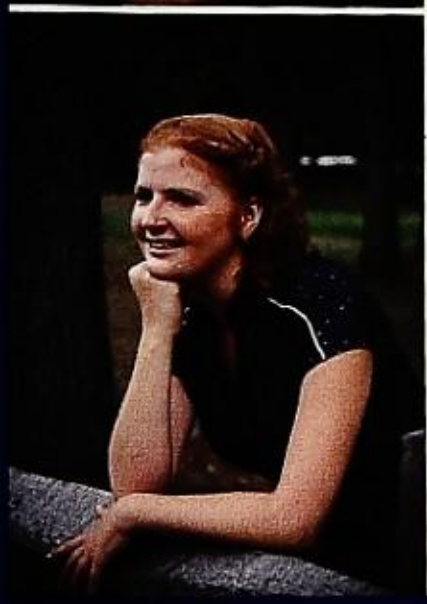

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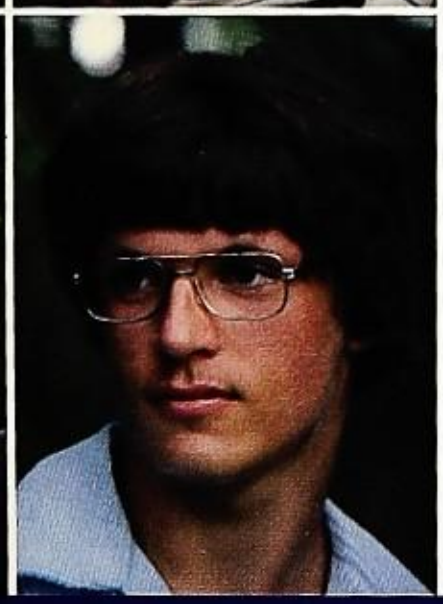

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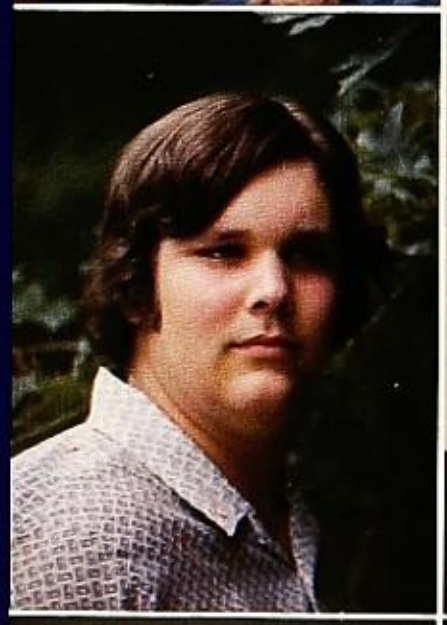

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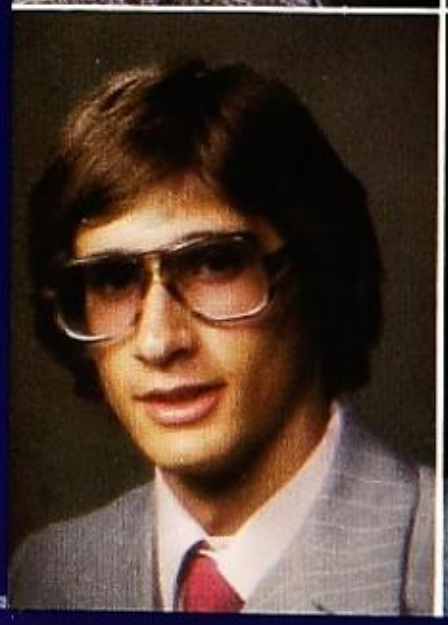

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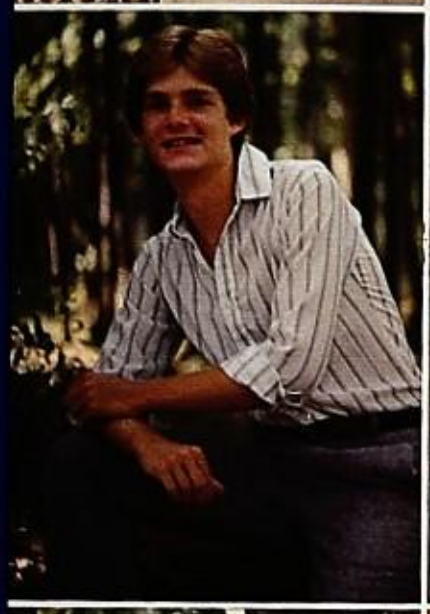

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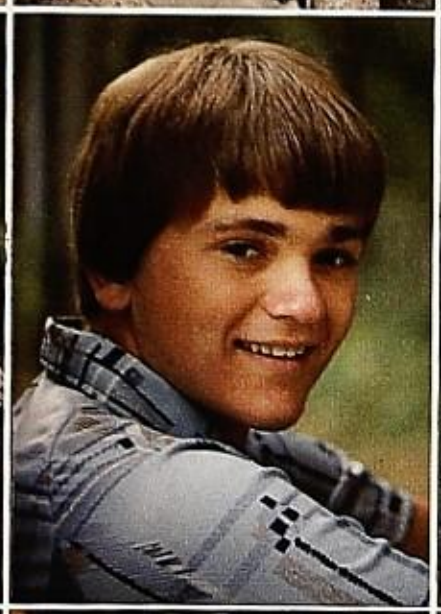

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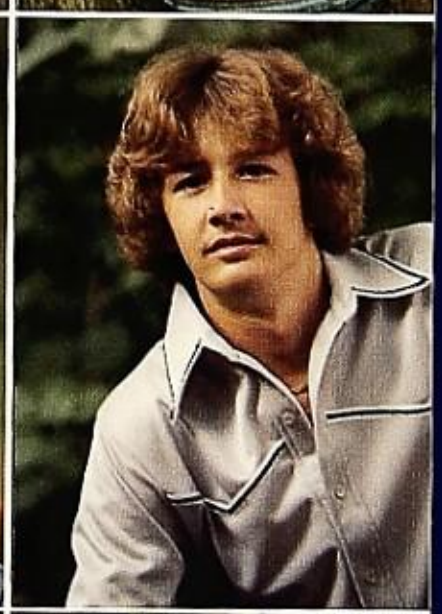

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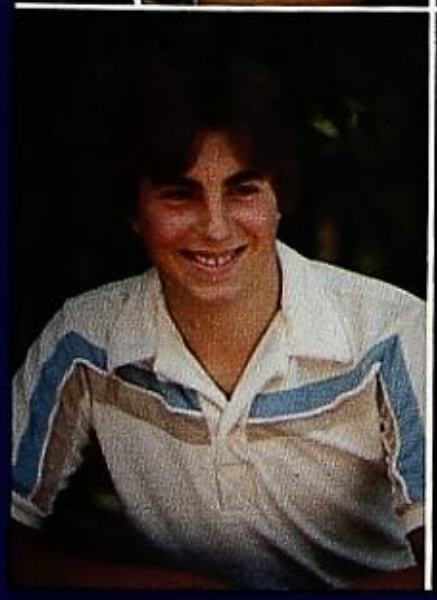

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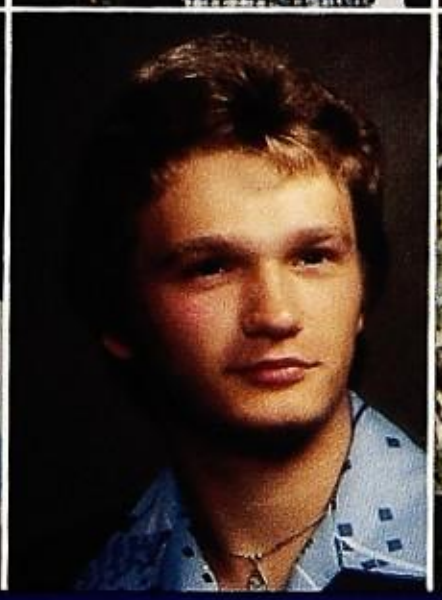

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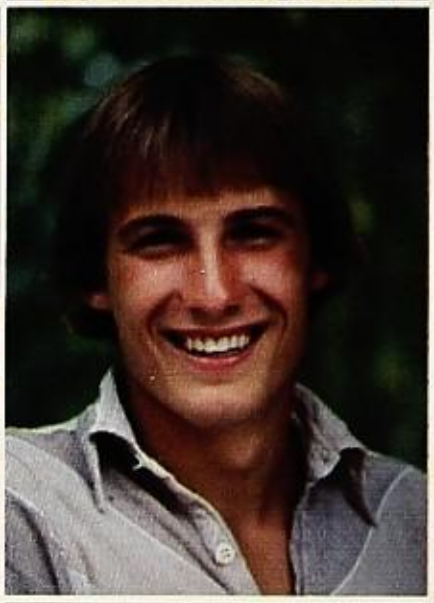

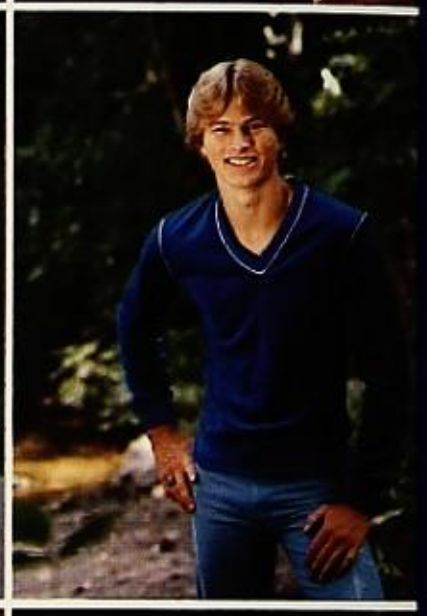

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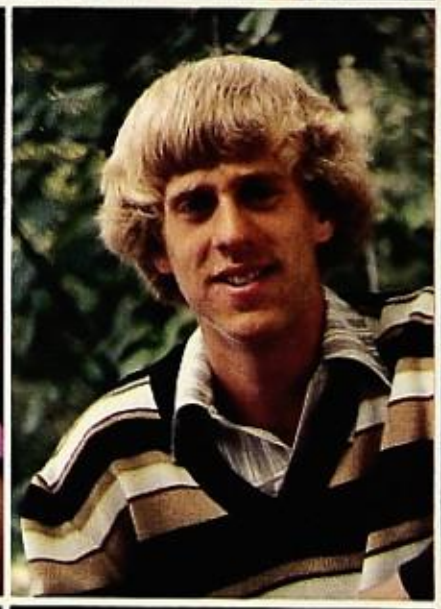

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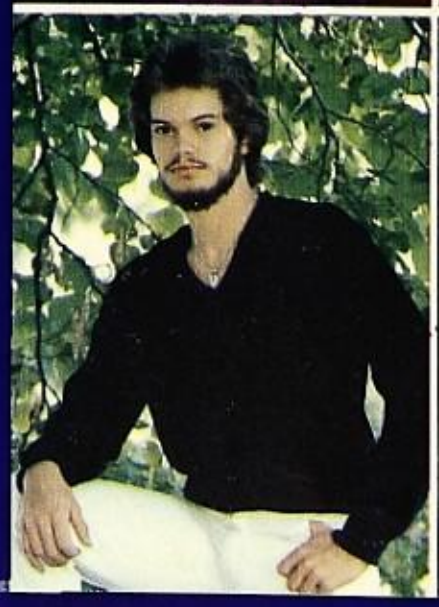

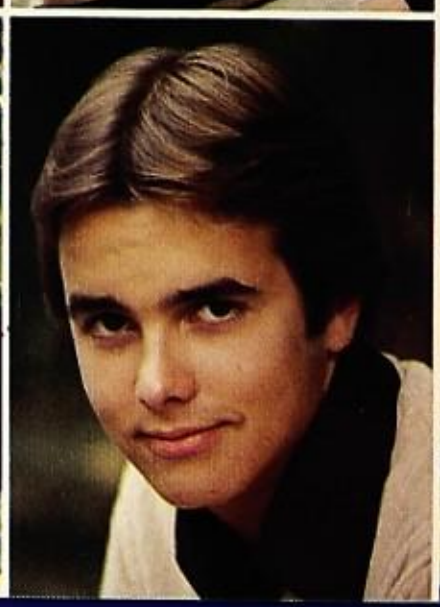

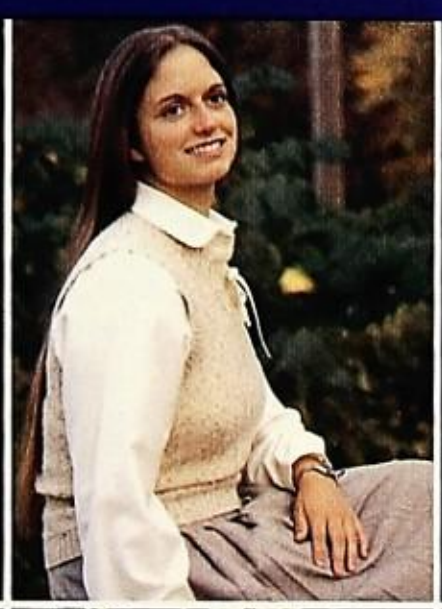

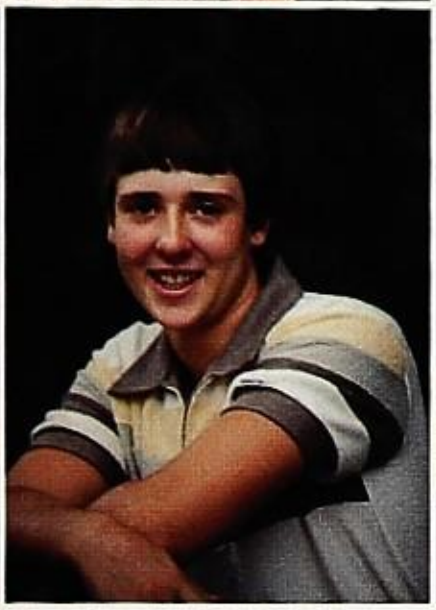
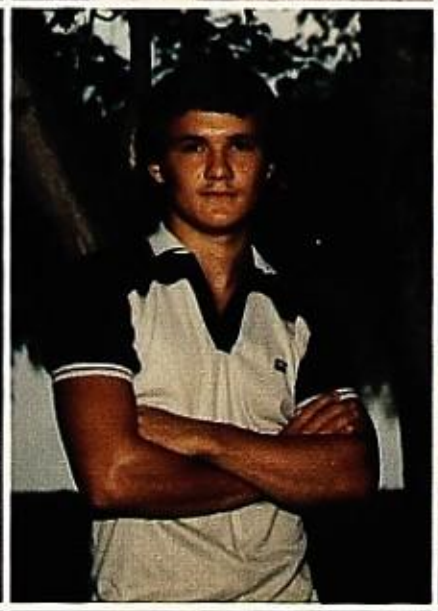
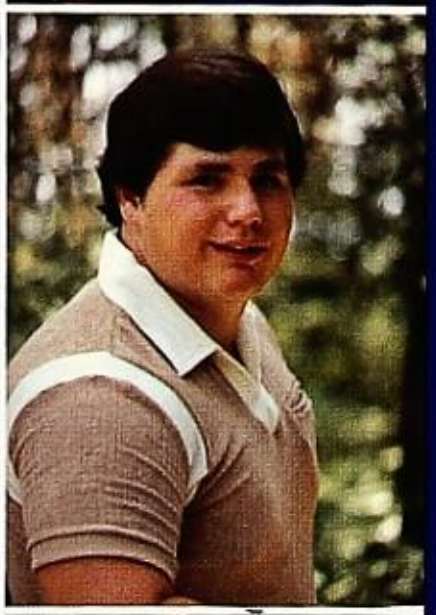

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Picture pages. Ronda Bauermeister and Serena Gass reminisce as Serena adds senior pictures to her photo album. The cost of senior pictures took a big hunk out of a lot of wallets.

Measuring the cerebral circumference. Mona Reinhard sits patiently while Pam Reeves figures out what size of graduation cap to order.

Everything has its price

Handing it over: Scott Baker turns in his order for graduation announcements to Mr. Muncy.

Guys with gusto. Mark Smith, Anthony Hoch, Greg McBride, Stacy Hoffacker, Craig Plummer, Jeff Carnes, and Greg Van Meter wear their senior letter jackets to flash their Knightly spirit.

Mirror, mirror, on the wall, can I afford this tux at all? Clark Alspaugh is deep in thought deciding whether or not this tuxedo at Russell's Formal Wear in Fort Wayne is the right one for him.

Where did all that money go? This question was asked by quite a few seniors. A lot of seniors who had to work to pay for their senior expenses found that quite often when these expenses came up, their wallets were empty. In other cases, the parents found that handing their teens the money put a strain on them as well.

One of the larger expenses started in the summer, as each senior made appointments for his senior pictures. Most seniors went out and bought new clothes for their pictures; this added to the expense of having senior pictures taken. The average cost of senior pictures was $147. This included 208 wallet-size pictures and two other sizes.

This was only the start of senior expenses. Soon after school began, seniors ordered graduation announcements from Josten's, which cost $58 on the average.

On the other hand, there wasn't always such pressure for getting money. There were small expenses, such as $1 for the senior memory book.

Caps and gowns this year weren't a financial problem for seniors because the $6.25 fee was taken care of by the Senior Class. Girls, however, had to pay $3 for a long-stemmed rose for graduation.

Graduation items were not the only costs that were high. The average cost of a tuxedo or a dress for the prom was $50. Inflation bloomed at the florists, too. Boutonniere prices averaged $5, and corsages cost $10. Fortunately, prom tickets were paid for by the Junior Class.

To say the least, the cost of senior "necessities" went up with everything else. Getting through that final year of high school cost anywhere from $200 to $500.

Career options

Seek 'n' find — the college game. Kristie Barkley browses through pamphlets in the Guidance Department's career room to find the college that's right for her.

"What do you want to do when you grow up, Junior?" This is a question we all have heard time after time from many different people. Almost everyone comes up with a different answer to it because there are so many fields a person can go into, regardless of whether or not he's college-bound.

You almost have to foresee the future to determine whether the career area you're interested in will have job openings when you're finally ready to shop in the job market. When it comes to trying to pick the college that best fits you, it can be a real challenge and a hard decision to make. The wrong choice can be ¢o$tly — in more ways than one.

Some seniors who don't want to go to college but wish to further their education by other means go to a training school. These schools have shorter terms, but their graduates still come out with the qualifications needed for a certain type of work. One senior said he's going to a training school because it is devoted mainly to the specific line of work he's interested in for his future.

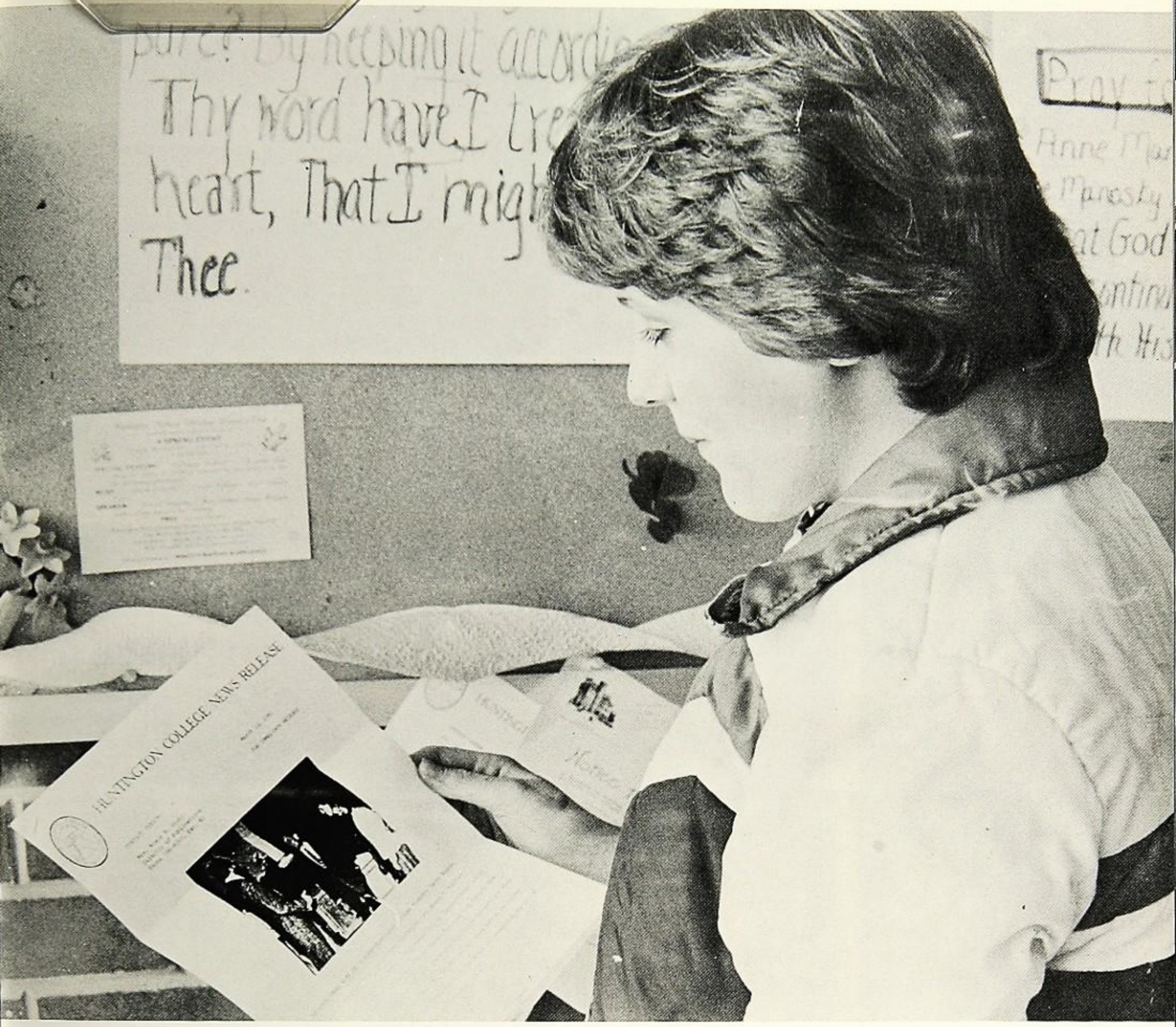
Not everyone enrolls in a college or training school, however. Some pursue a career in the Navy, the National Guard, the Army, or the Air Force. To a number of persons who enroll in one of these military groups, the service is a way to get an income and an education all in one.

Last, but not least, there is that group of seniors who perform a "service" at home by settling down and getting married right after graduation. Most of these people keep a full- or part-time job. Some even decide later on to go to college or to a training school.

Nevertheless, whether a senior decides to go to college or a vocational school, join the service, or get married first, he soons finds out if his career choice is the right one for him.

Planning ahead. Jill Sollberger discusses her schedule with Mrs. Ellis so that she'll have the classes needed to enter college.

Beauty tips. As part of her vocational training at Ravens-Croft Beauty School in Fort Wayne, Robin Steele practices her hairstyling techniques on a mannequin.

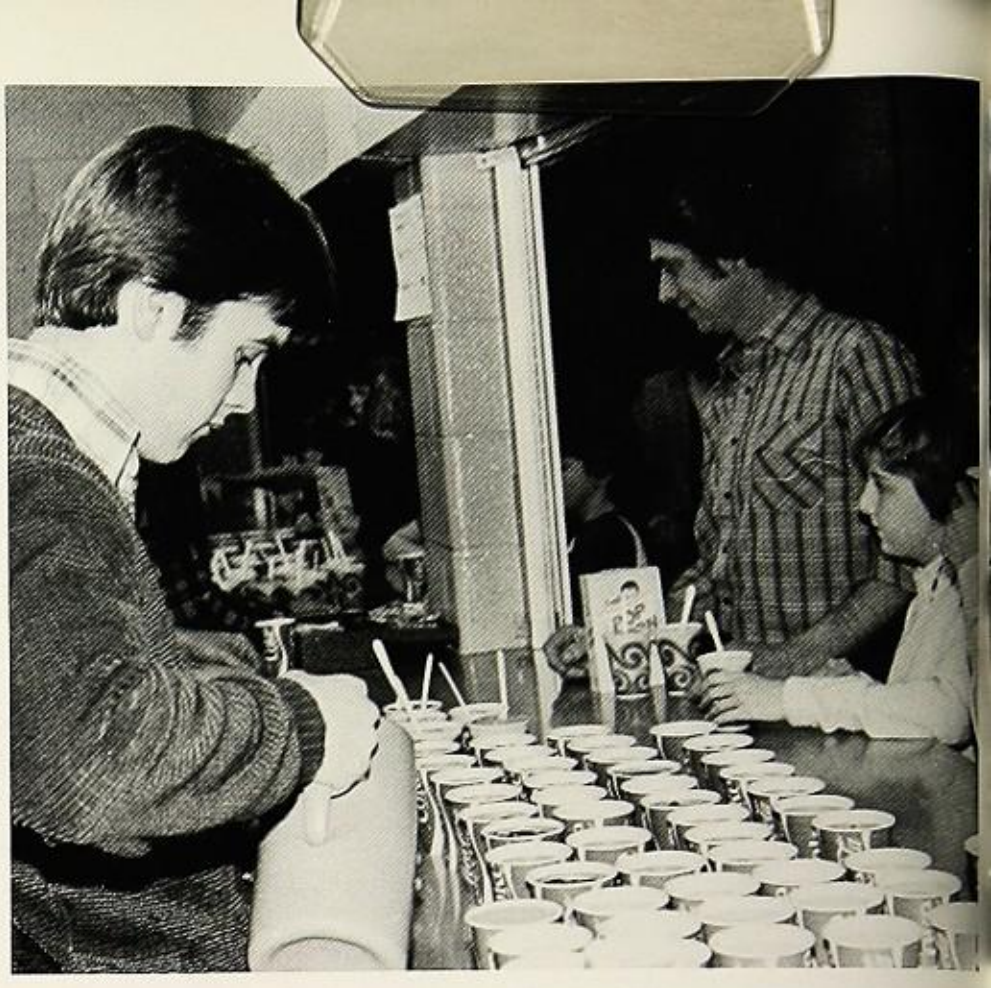


Practicing his EMT. Rick Weikel takes Marilin Harris' blood pressure in an ambulance during his Emergency Medical Technician training.

Lani's learning. While visiting Huntington College, Lani Johnson gets updated on school news.

Pitcher perfect. Jerry Wittwer, Hi-Y president, keeps the pop line moving during halftime.

Senior Class Officers. Jill Sollberger, treasurer; Richard Thomas, vice president; Mark Osborn, president; Mark Smith, secretary.



Pack leaders

Being the leader of a group can have its ups and downs. Many seniors who were club officers, such as Denise Shropshire, Pep Club president, found that their job can be quite a challenge.

"It was a real challenge because at first no one would listen, but when they got rowdy, everything went OK," explained Denise.

On the other hand, some officers thought being a leader was just plain fun and enjoyed feeling "superior."

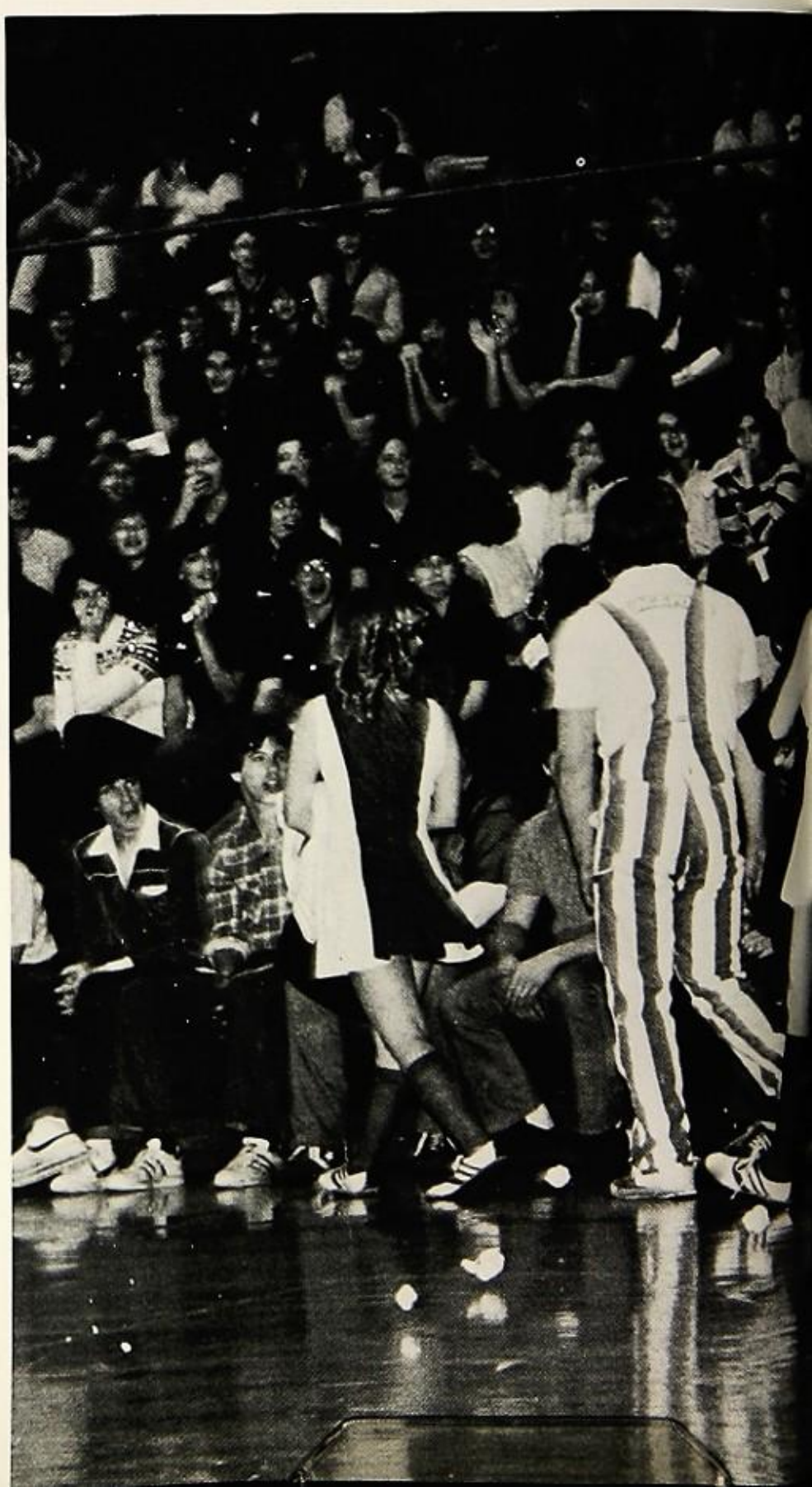
Mark Osborn told what it was like to be president of the Senior Class: "The other classes look up to you, and you have to set a good example. If you're a class officer the years before, you don't really have an idea of the responsibility you'll have as a senior officer. There's much more to plan."

Getting to know your fellow students fairly well is an advantage of being class president. "The Class of '81 was definitely a restless bunch," Mark said. "They had some good ideas, but sometimes their words were stronger than their actions."

Not just anyone can organize a group. The top officer must be a person who is dependable and who is a good leader.

"Being an officer gives you a chance to be a leader, and I wasn't in a position to be a leader until I became Sun-Shine president," said Lynda McAfee.

Some of this year's officers found that they had to make important decisions, including some which did not meet everyone's approval. But no matter how tough the situation got, they faced their problems head-on and continued to do what they were elected to do: lead.



Listening leader. National Honor Society President Mark Fiechter lends an ear to Mrs. Ellis' suggestions for Honors Night preparations.

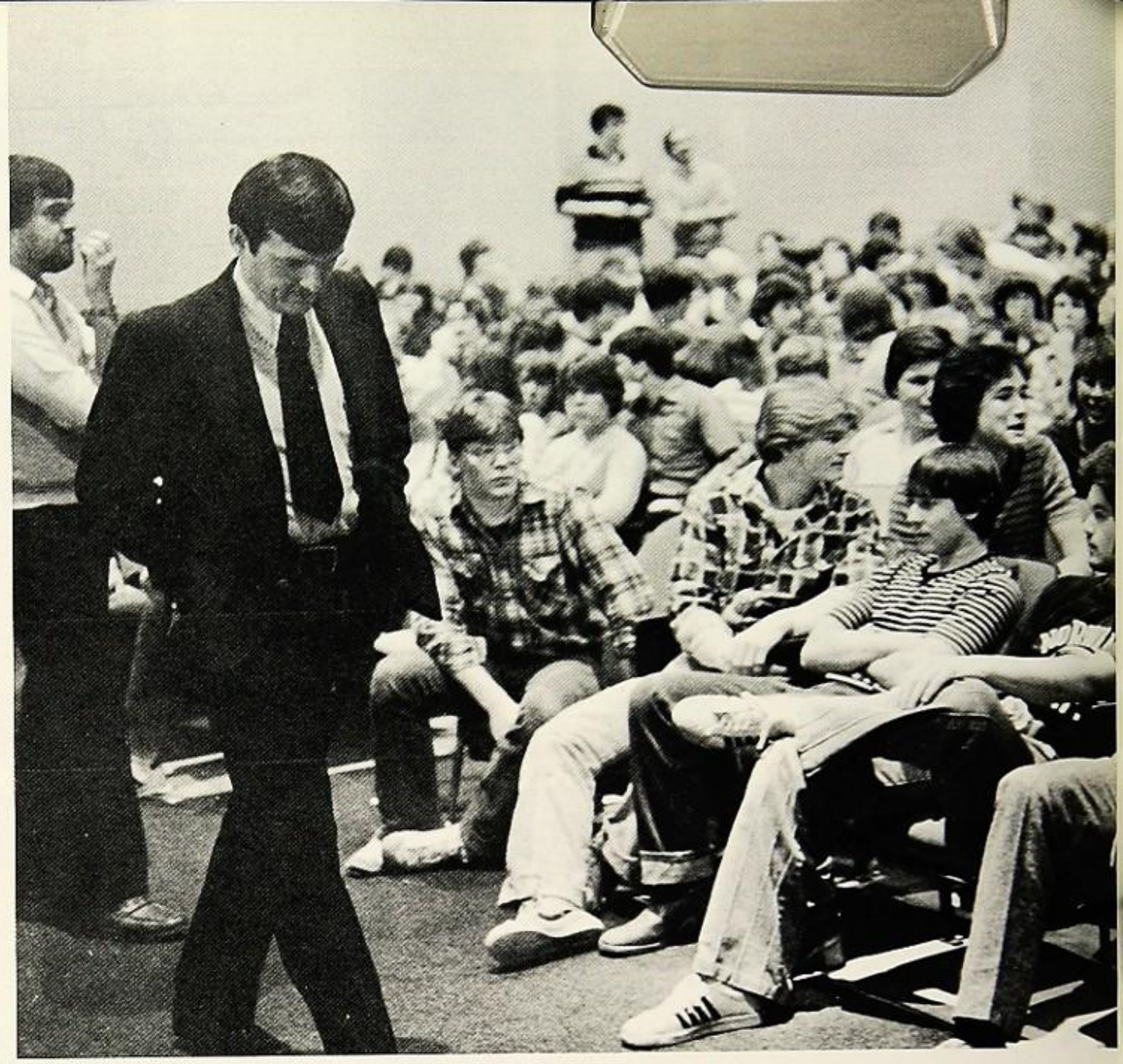
Plotting for plasma. Student Council President Andrew Antrim explains how to set up for the Red Cross Bloodmobile.

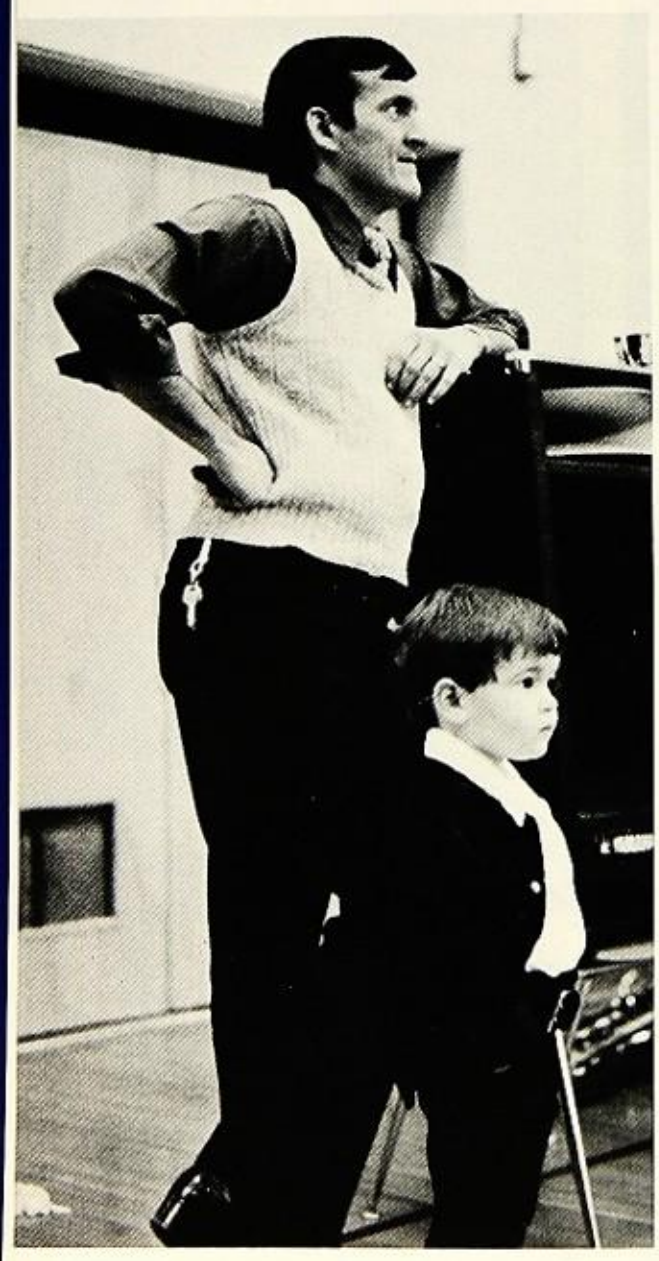
And if ya can't hear us, we'll yell a little louder! Denise Shropshire, president of Pep Club, keeps the girls shouting during one of the home basketball games.

Sometimes you get the bear, and sometimes the bear gets you. While the Blackford and Norwell basketball teams battle it out on the court, Senior Class President Mark Osborn battles it out with Blackford's mascot on the sideline.

Keeping order. Assistant Principal Sailsbery patrols the auditorium to see how the seating chart for convocations is working.

Superintendent Secretaries. Mrs. Shelvia Sommers and Mrs. Mary Ann Ripperger.





Like father, like son. Mr. Sailsbery and son Robbie view a home basketball game from a corner of the gym.

Chart causes controversy

Shouts of "Do I have to sit here?" could be heard throughout the auditorium as students were herded to their assigned seats for convocations.

The controversial seating chart for convocations was one of the policies adopted by the administration this year.

Principal Lex Dormire said the reason for the new seating chart was that "kids weren't sensitive to the person who had the stage."

The seating chart was enforced to control behavior by having students sit in a designated area according to homerooms. Teachers could then supposedly keep an eye on their class to ensure good behavior.

Mr. Dormire said he really wasn't able to tell if the seating chart was successful yet, due to the few times it was enforced. Mr. Mike Sailsbery said, "It takes time for these kinds of ideas to catch on."

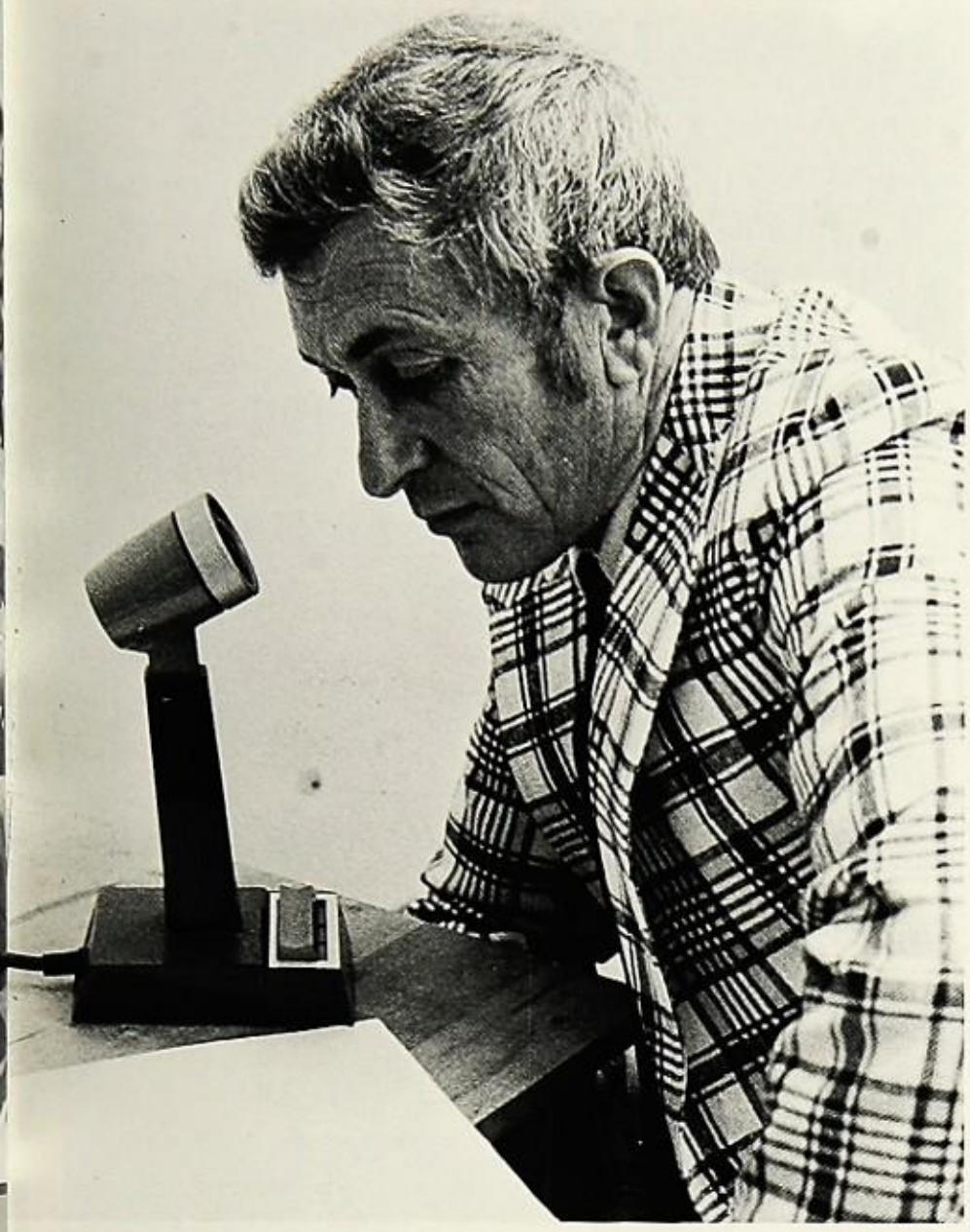
Other than the new seating chart, another major administrative change involved Mr. Sailsbery taking over the assistant superintendent's job, in addition to keeping his job as assistant principal.

Doing both jobs was hectic, but Mr. Sailsbery said, "First priority was given to making sure things ran smoothly here."

School hours were changed to 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., with homeroom usually being held on Wednesdays.

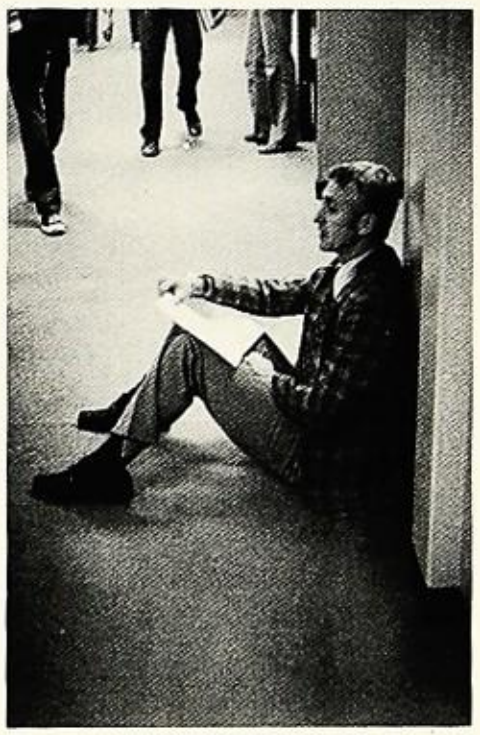
A new squirt gun policy was also enforced this year. Students caught with squirt guns or other water vessels were sent home. Their parents had to come to school before the student could be reinstated.

Although students approved of some of the new rules and procedures and disapproved of others, the administration's decisions gave students a chance to develop one of those skills that are essential to surviving out in the "real world": adjusting to change.



"Good morning . . ." Mr. Lex Dormire makes his greeting as he reads the day's announcements over the P.A.

Northern Wells School Board. SEATED: Mr. John McBride, Mrs. Phyllis Confer (president), Mr. Tom Woodward (vice president). STANDING: Mr. Jack Ash, Dr. Gerald Miller (secretary), Mr. Robert Johnloz.



A sit-down strike? No, Mr. Dormire is just relaxing in the hall as he reads over his reports.

Putting Mr. Coffee to work. Office secretaries Mrs. Marilyn Somers, Mrs. Nicki Mills, and Mrs. Karen Roberts take time out for a cup of coffee.

Mr. B. J. Almond: *Accolade*, Journalistic Writing, Newspaper Journalism, Practical English, Publications, Senior Sponsor, *Wavelength*
Ms. Hanne Bach: English 9 and 10, German I, II, and III, International Club, Senior Sponsor
Mr. Lloyd Blain: Chamber Singers, Choirs I and II, Gold Choir, Junior Sponsor, Swing Set
Mrs. Joyce Buzzard: Composition, English Literature, Junior Sponsor, Language Arts Department Head, Public Speaking, Senior Composition, SunShine Society

Mrs. Betty Bynum: ISS Supervisor
Mr. Jim Cobble: Assistant Varsity Football Coach, Drafting II, Graphic Arts I and II, Head Wrestling Coach, Sophomore Sponsor
Mr. Brad Cooper: Auxiliaries, Brass Impact, Grande Illusion, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Sophomore Sponsor, Symphonic Band
Mr. Rex Decker: Athletic Director, Sociology

Mrs. Mary Ellis: Guidance Department Head, Junior and Senior Guidance Counselor, National Honor Society
Miss Erin Flannery: Cheerleaders, English 9, French I and II, Pep Club, Remedial Reading, Senior Sponsor
Mrs. Carol Fuller: Librarian, SunShine Society
Mr. Dave Furey: Accounting, Bookkeeping, Business Department Head, Recordkeeping, Senior Sponsor

Mr. Bob Gilbert: Algebra I-G, Assistant Varsity Football Coach, Assistant Boys' Track Coach, Introductory Algebra I, Junior Sponsor, Trigonometry and Analytical Geometry
Mr. Mike Gilbert: College Typing, Consumer Economics, Freshman Sponsor, Golf Coach, Marketing, Personal Typing, Typing II
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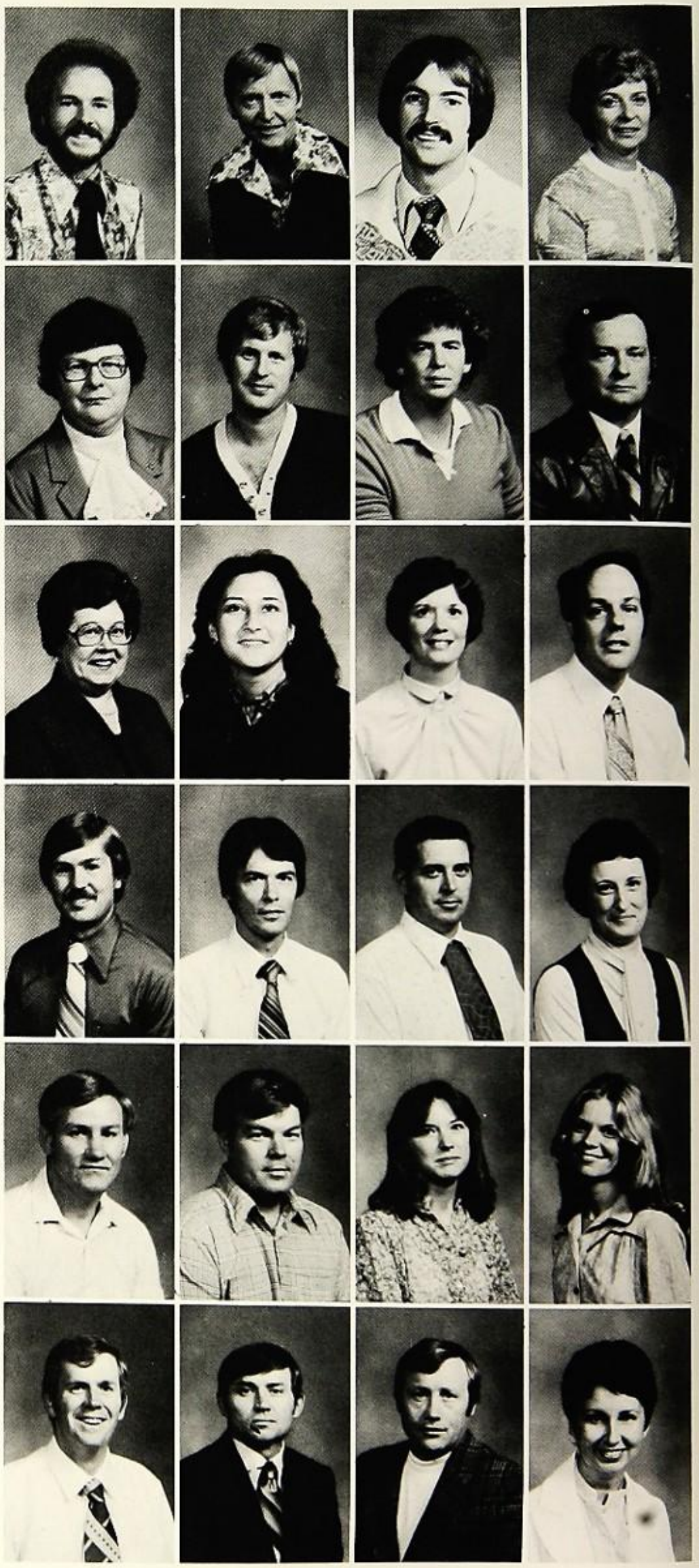
Mrs. Emma Hamilton: Home Ec. I, II, and III, Senior Sponsor

Mr. Joe Hanauer: Audio-Visual Aids Coordinator, Freshman Sponsor, U.S. History
Mr. Mike Harris: Construction I and II, Drafting III, Intramural Basketball, Senior Sponsor, Woods I and II
Mrs. Marilyn Heckman: Algebra I-A, Informal Geometry, Introductory Algebra II, Sophomore Sponsor, SunShine Society
Miss Vickee Herron: Advanced Gymnastics, Freshman Physical Education, Gymnastics Coach, Sophomore Sponsor, Volleyball Coach

Mr. Howard Jones: Astronomy, Chemistry I and II, Hi-Y, Physics, Science Club, Sophomore Sponsor
Mr. Bernard Jump: BioKappa, Biology I and II, Sophomore Sponsor
Mr. Neil Kinsey: Boys' Freshman Track Coach, Boys' Junior Varsity Basketball Coach, Driver's Education, Freshman Physical Education, Health and Physical Education Department Head, Intramural Basketball, Sophomore Sponsor
Ms. Marlyn Koons: American Literature, Contemporary Literature, Freshman Sponsor

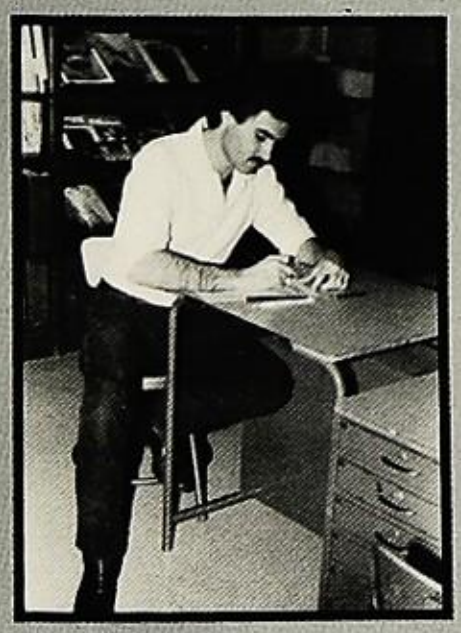


Why do they teach?

You see them in the restrooms. You see them in the halls. You see them at basketball games. Sometimes you see them at Southtown Mall Cinema. Occasionally you see them at McDonald's, and on even rarer occasions, you see them pulled over to the side of 224 getting a speeding ticket. But most often, you see them at the front of the classroom.

Teachers. You like some of them, you can't stand some of them, you laugh with some of them, and you laugh at some of them, but you learn from most of them — and it is this last factor that appeared most frequently in the responses to a questionnaire given to Norwell teachers to find out why they chose to make the classroom their place of employment.

"I enjoy working with and meeting people," said Mr. Brad Cooper. "In teaching Band, you take raw elements (students), add your expertise and knowledge, and come out with a final polished product."



Mr. Prentice: "Students' creativity, humor, and pride in their art work make for a good day."

One teacher who's been at Norwell for 12 years justified her career choice this way: "I enjoy working with people and feel that, if in some small way, I can help a student see himself as a factor for making the world better, I will have partially achieved my goal."

Although working with teen-agers and sharing knowledge were most often cited as reasons for becoming a teacher, sometimes other factors made that decision easier to make.

"I chose teaching early in life because I wanted to coach," explained Mr. Jerry Lewis.

Mrs. Mabel White was intrigued by the unpredictability of the classroom situation. "I wanted to have a different challenge every day," she said. "I tried factory work and found it terribly routine."

Just as teachers had different reasons for pursuing the teaching profession, they also varied on which aspect of teaching is most rewarding.

Mr. Gary Scott said that "seeing students recognize their potential and accomplish much more after developing confidence in their own abilities" is what makes teaching worthwhile to him.

Mr. Jeffery Prentice pointed out a different way in which teaching pays off. "Students' creativity, humor, and pride in their art work, along with some laughter, make for a good day," he said.

According to a teacher who's been at Norwell for 10 years, the most rewarding aspect of teaching is "seeing students (some with very little ability) overcome problems and make good."

Establishing friendships with students, seeing students learning and enjoying their new knowledge, witnessing improvement among students, and getting a long summer vacation were also listed as benefits of a career in the classroom.

One facet of teaching which was not mentioned as being rewarding was money. In fact, several teachers singled out salary as the major cause of frustration to a teacher. Others focused on other problems inherent in teaching.

"One frustration is trying to explain what is considered basic, and after several different approaches, still looking into blank stares," said an instructor who's been here 12 years.

The most common complaints were apathetic and disrespectful students, but some teachers are bothered more by other behavior.

"To know that students select the easiest courses in school and then as alumni knock the school because they didn't have good teachers and learned nothing" is what Mrs. White finds discouraging.

Mr. Ralph Thiele explained what irritates him most: "Watching immature youth sacrifice their values in order to be 'accepted' by their peers."

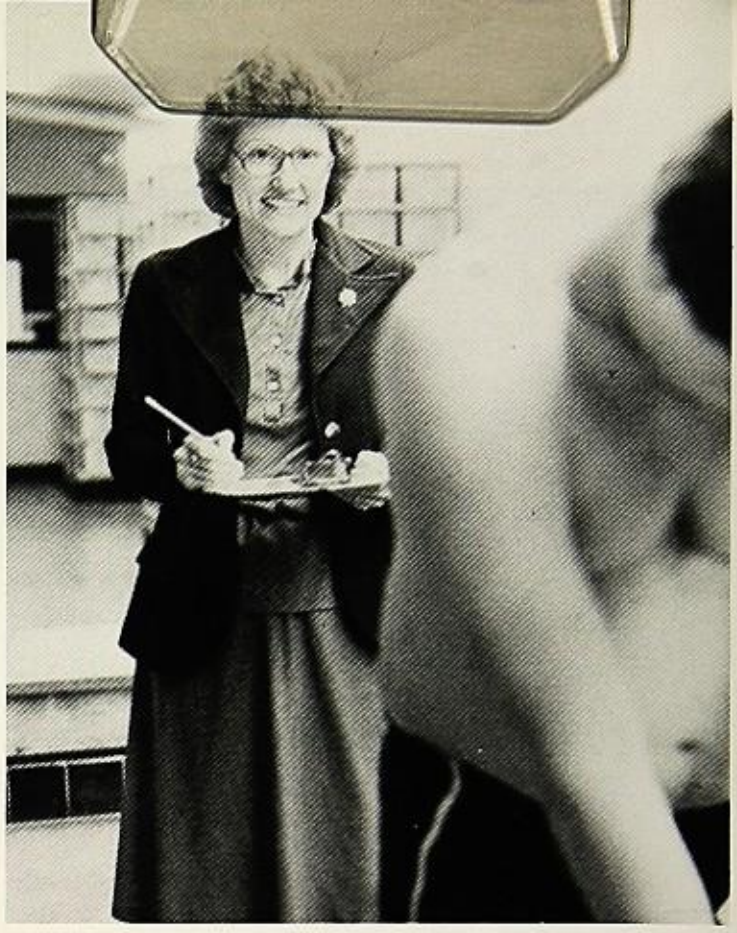
Regardless of what teachers consider to be likable and unlikable aspects of their job, it's obvious that they have an impact on students. After all, it was the impact that teachers had on some of Norwell's teachers when they were students that inspired them to become teachers themselves. One faculty member said he chose teaching as a profession "basically to follow in the footsteps of the people I admired when I was in school."

Who knows? Maybe this year's teachers had a similar influence on their students. It's not unlikely that at least one of the students reading this will one day be seeing his picture on a page like the one on the left.

Mrs. White: I wanted to have a different challenge every day. I found factory work terribly routine."

Tooting tutors. Mr. Dormire, Miss Flannery, Mrs. Buzzard, and Mr. Lehman play the school song at the pep session for the Marion Regional.

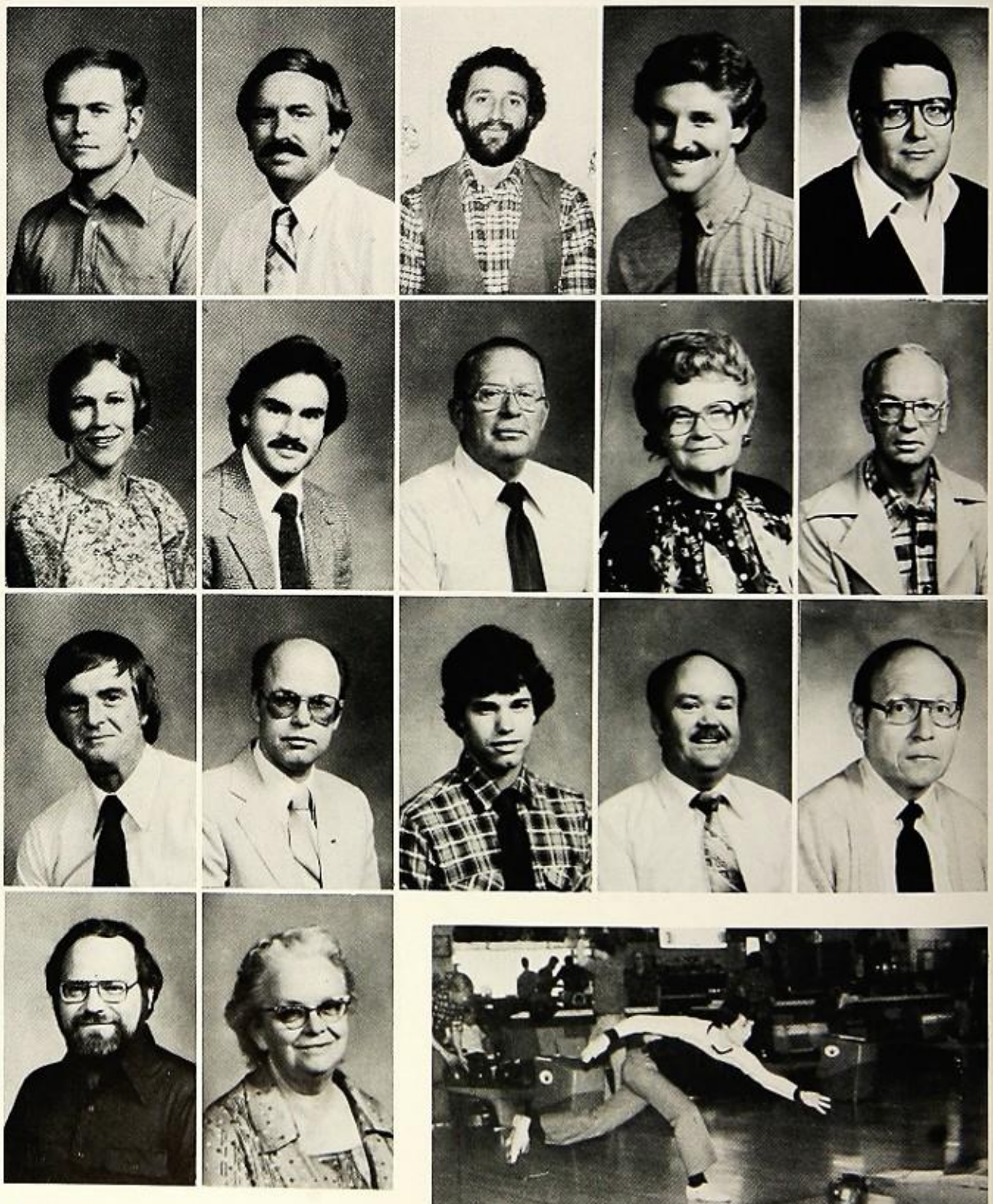
Spying the spine. Mrs. Carolyn Yager, school nurse, examines the curvature of a freshman's spine as she conducts scoliosis screenings during P.E. I.



Mr. Steve Lehman: General Business, Shorthand I and II, Sophomore Sponsor
Mr. Jerry Lewis: Boys' Varsity Basketball Coach, Driver's Education, Government, Junior Sponsor, Varsity Baseball Coach
Mr. Rick Lukens: General Science, Junior Sponsor
Mr. Peter Marshall: Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball Coach, Hi-Y, Senior Sponsor, Spanish I, II, and III
Mr. Dan Moser: Basic Math, Consumer Math, Junior Sponsor

Mrs. Judy Patterson: English 9, English 100, English 300, Sophomore Sponsor
Mr. Jeffery Prentice: Art I, II, III, and IV, Art Club, Fine Arts Department Head, Junior Sponsor
Mr. Max Rose: Senior Sponsor, Social Science Department Head, U.S. History, World Geography
Mrs. Hannah Rutenberg: Home Living, Senior Home Economics, Sophomore Sponsor, Vocations Department Head
Mr. Verlin Scherrer: Boys' Freshman Basketball Coach, General Science, Junior Sponsor
Mr. Gary Scott: Advanced Sports, Driver's Education, Girls' Track Coach, Health, Senior Sponsor, Theory and Life Sports, Varsity Football Coach
Mr. Milt Sinn: English 10, English 300, Developmental Reading, Sophomore Sponsor
Mr. Thomas Smith: Future Farmers of America, Horticulture, Sophomore Sponsor, Vocational Agriculture I, II, and III
Mr. Ralph Thiele: Business Law, Freshman Sponsor, General Business, Typing I
Mr. Herbert Tripp: Algebra II, Computer Math, Freshman Sponsor, Geometry I, Mathematics/Science Department Head

Mr. Ted Waters: Freshman Sponsor, Geometry, Introductory Algebra I and II
Mrs. Mabel White: Bowling Club, Junior Sponsor, Psychology, Sociology, Thespians, World Geography, World History



During their "spare" time, Mr. Gilbert and several other teachers beat Bowling Club by scoring the highest pin total.

A Rose in full bloom

1. Which teacher helped organize Norwell's first football team?

2. Which teacher helped start Norwell's band program?

3. Which teacher announced his retirement at the end of this year?

Believe it or not, these questions all have the same answer: Mr. Max Rose.

This was Mr. Rose's 25th and final year of teaching, and his years of experience in the classroom have made him popular with and respected by both faculty and students. That experience has also enabled him to make some interesting comments on the past as well as the future of education.

What major changes have you noticed in the way classes are taught today?

"The classroom atmosphere is more relaxed and less structured. As a result, students feel they're more involved in the class. With the teacher's assistance, they're educating themselves."

What major changes have you observed in students?

"Being a history teacher, I believe people run in cycles. They haven't changed much. They just follow the pattern, from progressivism to conservatism and back. I call today's kids the 'workaholics.' "

What has been one of your most rewarding experiences as a teacher?

"I was one of the coaches when Norwell won the 1971 ACAC Football Championship." Mr. Rose explained why this is so special to him. Before Norwell was built, he and Mr. James Dilbone taught the kids at the Ossian and Lancaster schools how to play football, so he was actually responsible for the kickoff of football at Norwell.

In addition, he fathered Norwell's band and athletic programs by collecting donations from teachers to help finance these extracurricular activities when Norwell first opened.

What have you enjoyed most about teaching?

"I like kids. I always have, and kids like me. They can sense whether you're a friend or a foe. I've never had any trouble getting along with kids."

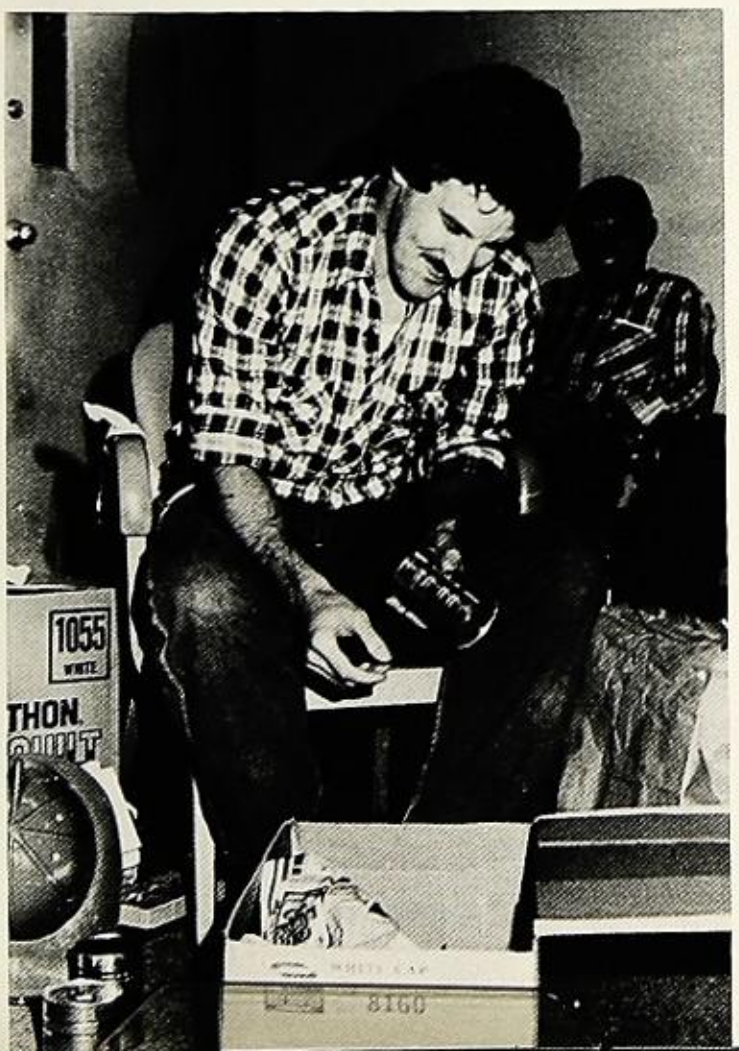
Are you optimistic about the future of education?

"The greatest threat to the public high school today is the tuition tax credit for private schools, because it sets up two kinds of educational standards. The public high school will lose out because all the poor kids will be in the public schools. I fear this."

Mr. Rose said Norwell is one of the best places he's worked. "We're unique. We've got a united staff. There's not too much friction with the administration. Our teachers have more input."

Mr. Rose: "I like kids, and kids like me. They can sense whether you're a friend or a foe."

NHS will surely miss Mr. Rose's input — especially because of his likable personality and sincere interest in students. Considering that Norwell's band and athletic programs might not be what they are today if Mr. Rose had not taken the initiative to find a way to finance them, one can say that at Norwell not only did Mr. Rose teach history, he *made* history.



An uncanny gift. At a wedding congratulations party in the teachers' lounge, the faculty surprised Mr. Marshall with many gag gifts, including a box of unlabeled canned goods.

Mr. Howard Williams: Business Machines, Driver's Education, Junior Sponsor, Office Practice
Mrs. Beverly Wilson: Resource Teacher for Basic Math, English 100-400, General Math, General Science, Government, Health/Safety, Personal Math, Socio-economics, U.S. History

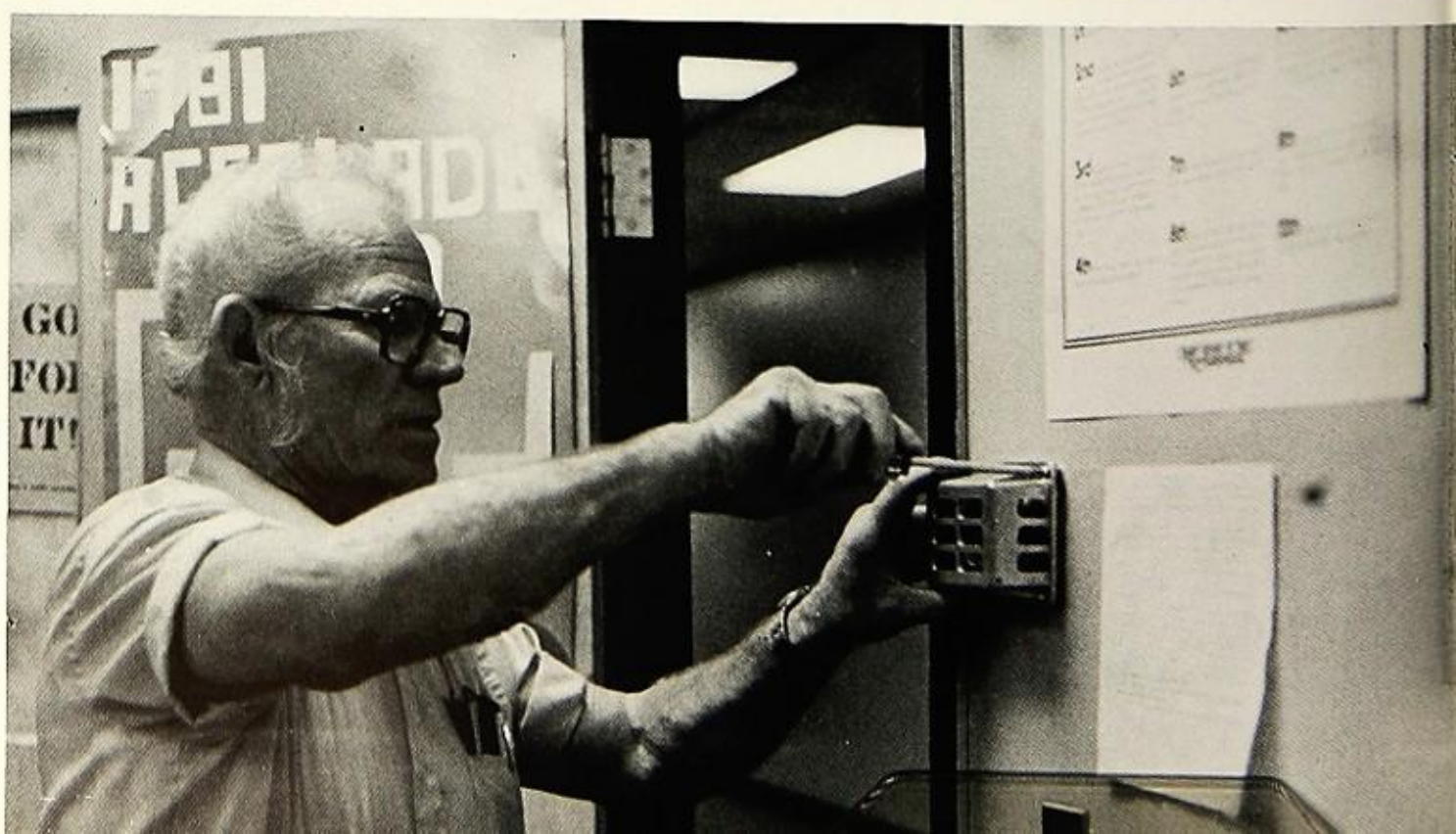
Mrs. Terri Worden: Advanced Sports, English 10, English 200, Girls' Varsity Basketball Coach, Girls' Varsity and Junior Varsity Tennis Coach, Junior Sponsor
Mr. Steve Yager: Assistant Varsity Football Coach, Freshman and Sophomore Guidance Counselor, Student Council

Dirty desktops disappear, as Mrs. Stephan cleans the Art Room during a period when it's not in use.

Cakewalker. A stack of carrot cakes gets carted to the serving line by Mrs. Sliger. For just one day's lunch, the cooks bake about seven of these cakes and cut each one into 70 pieces.

Double boiler. Mrs. Double refills a pitcher with steaming hot coffee to serve at the Chamber Singers' Feast.

Behind bars. To prevent students from twisting the thermostat in the Pub Room, Mr. Johnson installs a metal cage on the wall. He put one of these protective coverings over the thermostats in approximately 75 classrooms.



Dishwasher's safe. Mrs. McAfee dons her rain bonnet and raincoat to protect herself from squirt gun-carrying students who get a little trigger-happy when they take their lunch trays to the dishwashing area.

The keepers of the Castle

— 482 hamburger buns

— 27 gallons of green beans

— 600 cartons of milk

— 500 cookies

The average mother would have difficulty fitting this much food at the supermarket into the car trunk — not to mention the grocery cart! — but the school cooks had no trouble storing and preparing this much food for just *one day's lunch* in the cafeteria.

Similarly, students' moms would find it hard to squeeze 60 gallons of wax, 40 gallons of stripper, 1,200 rolls of hand towels, and 2,880 rolls of toilet paper into the pantry closet, but the custodians managed to keep track of these and other cleaning supplies for the year and put them to use as needed.

Fixing food and cleaning the Castle kept quite a few people busy, and the chores had their highs and lows.

Head cook Elaine Gray cited the enjoyable aspects of being a Norwell cook: working with a nice group of people, and getting to know the kids. "It's also nice keeping up with what's going on in the school system," she said.

The job was not without its drawbacks, however. "Having kids complain after we work hard to meet government standards, and trying to fix things kids like" were the frustrating aspects of being a cook, according to Mrs. Gray. Throwing food in the cafeteria was a problem too, she said.

Like the cooks, several custodians said they like their work because they like being around kids.

Head custodian George Johnson pointed out that the variety of tasks he has to perform also makes his work enjoyable. "There's something different needing to be done all the time," he said.

Mr. Johnson mentioned that the job gets frustrating when everyone wants something done at one time. "Sometimes three or four people will stop me at once," he explained. He also noted that rolls of toilet paper "disappear" from the restrooms — especially at Halloween. "They have it out faster than I can put it in," he said.

Aside from the occasional problems, the cooks and custodians had few complaints. They took pride in their work, as evidenced by their everyday efforts, and continued to take care of the housework while students took care of the homework.

Cafeteria Workers. FRONT ROW: Mrs. Mary Byerly, Mrs. Nancy Steffen, Mrs. Miriam McAfee, Mrs. Brenda Double, Mrs. Rose DeLong, Mrs. Betty Johnson, Mrs. Elaine Gray, Mrs. Cammie Bailey. BACK ROW: Mrs. Cindy Williams, Mrs. Judy Milholland, Mrs. Gloria Sliger, Mrs. Marlene Martin, Mrs. Sandy Kern, Mrs. Laurel Wilson, Mrs. Leona Meyer. NOT PICTURED: Mrs. Juanita James, Mrs. June Slater.

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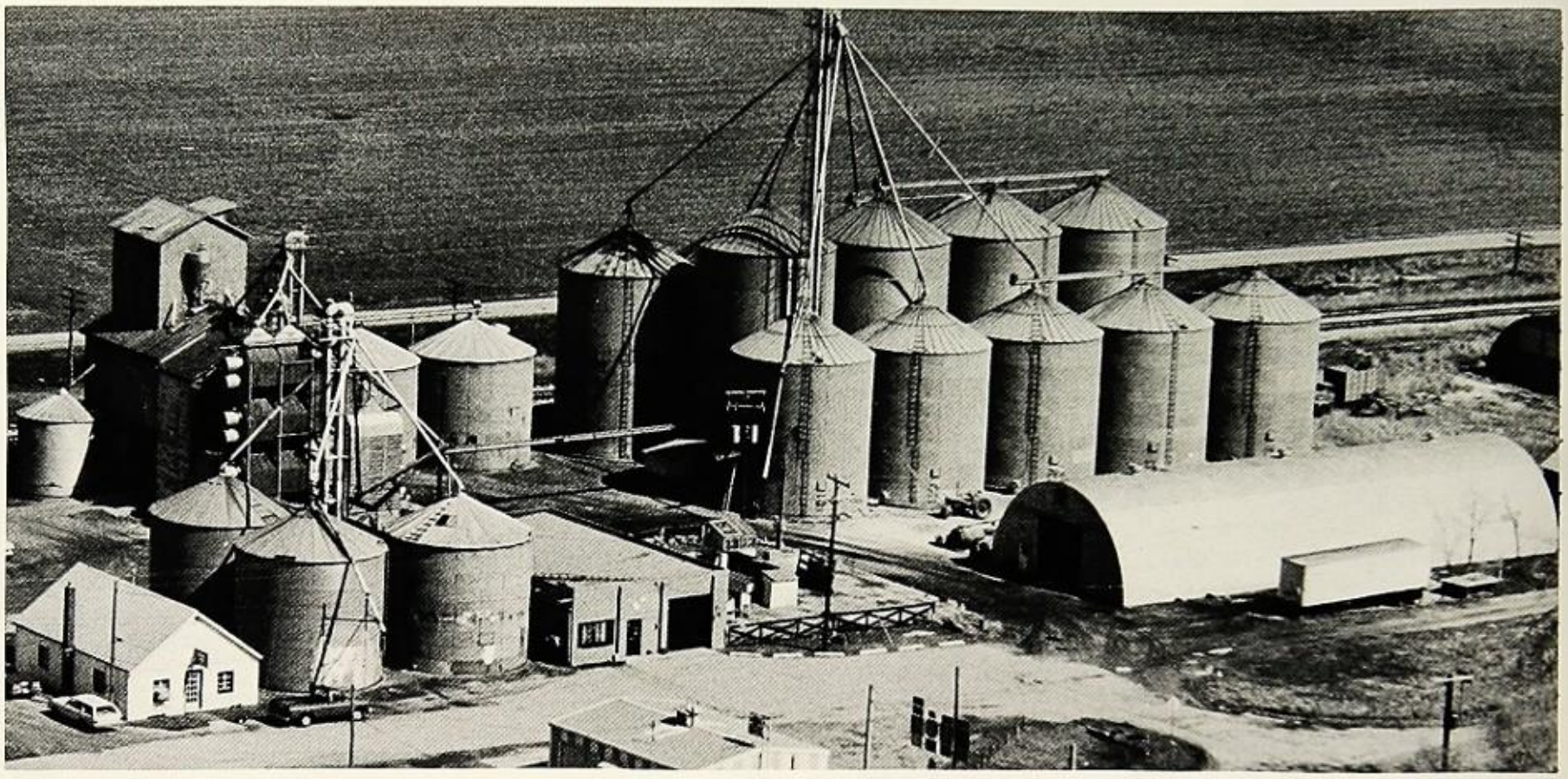

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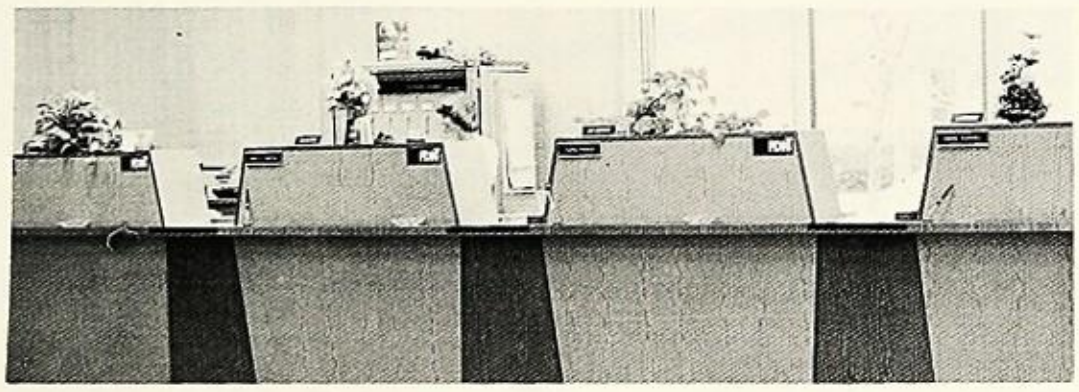

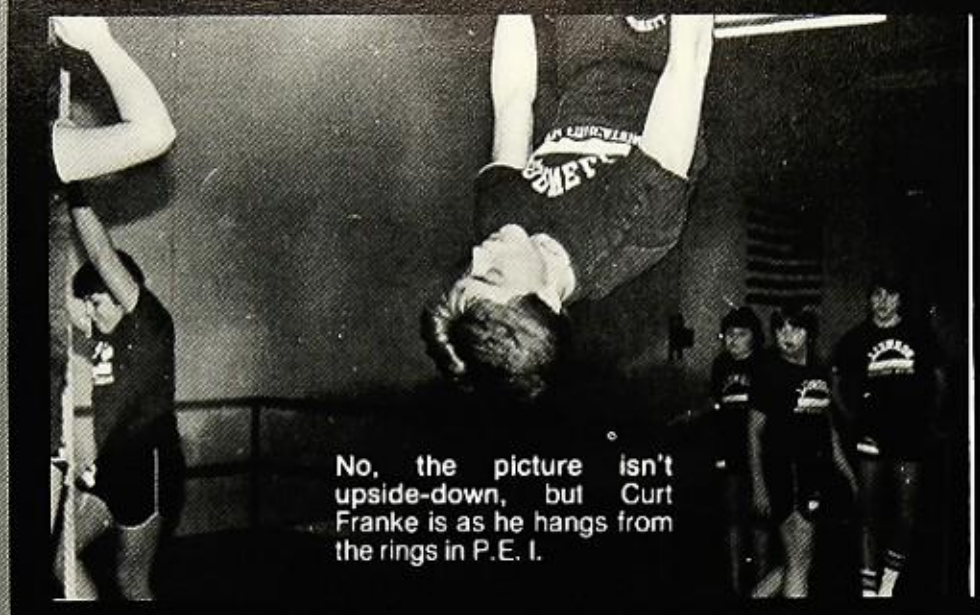

No, the picture isn't upside-down, but Curt Franke is as he hangs from the rings in P.E. I.

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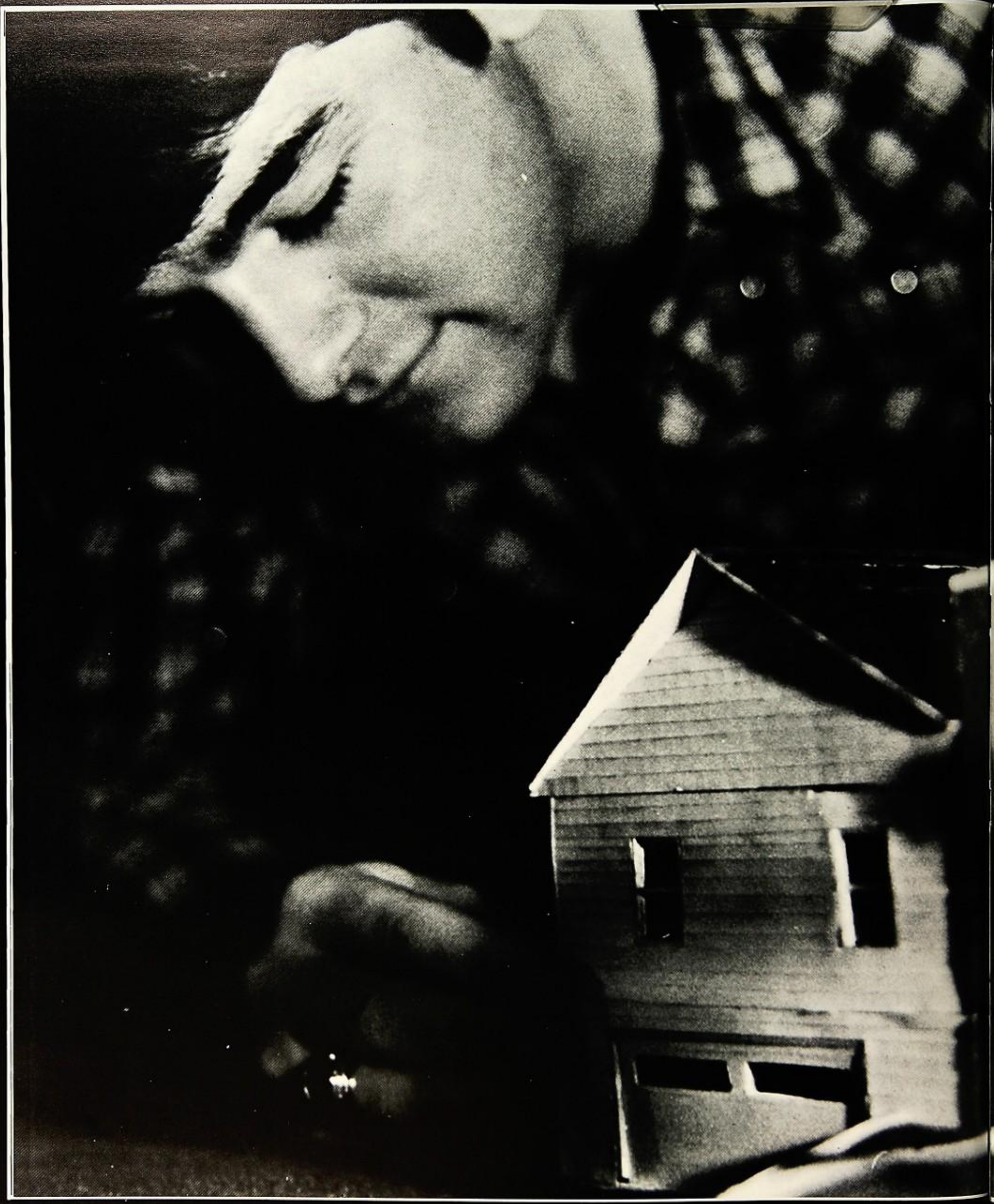


Homework. Darrell Betts puts finishing touches on the model home he built for Drafting III.

Good-luck hug. Lisa Rekeweg and Charlene Ramsey embrace before the state fair band show.

ACADEMICS

With term papers, typing tests, and algebra assignments, school work seemed never-ending. But the dull, monotonous routine ended there. Academic life was brightened by everything from seeing "order in the courts" on a Business Law field trip, to filling guests' orders during meal labs in Senior Home Ec.

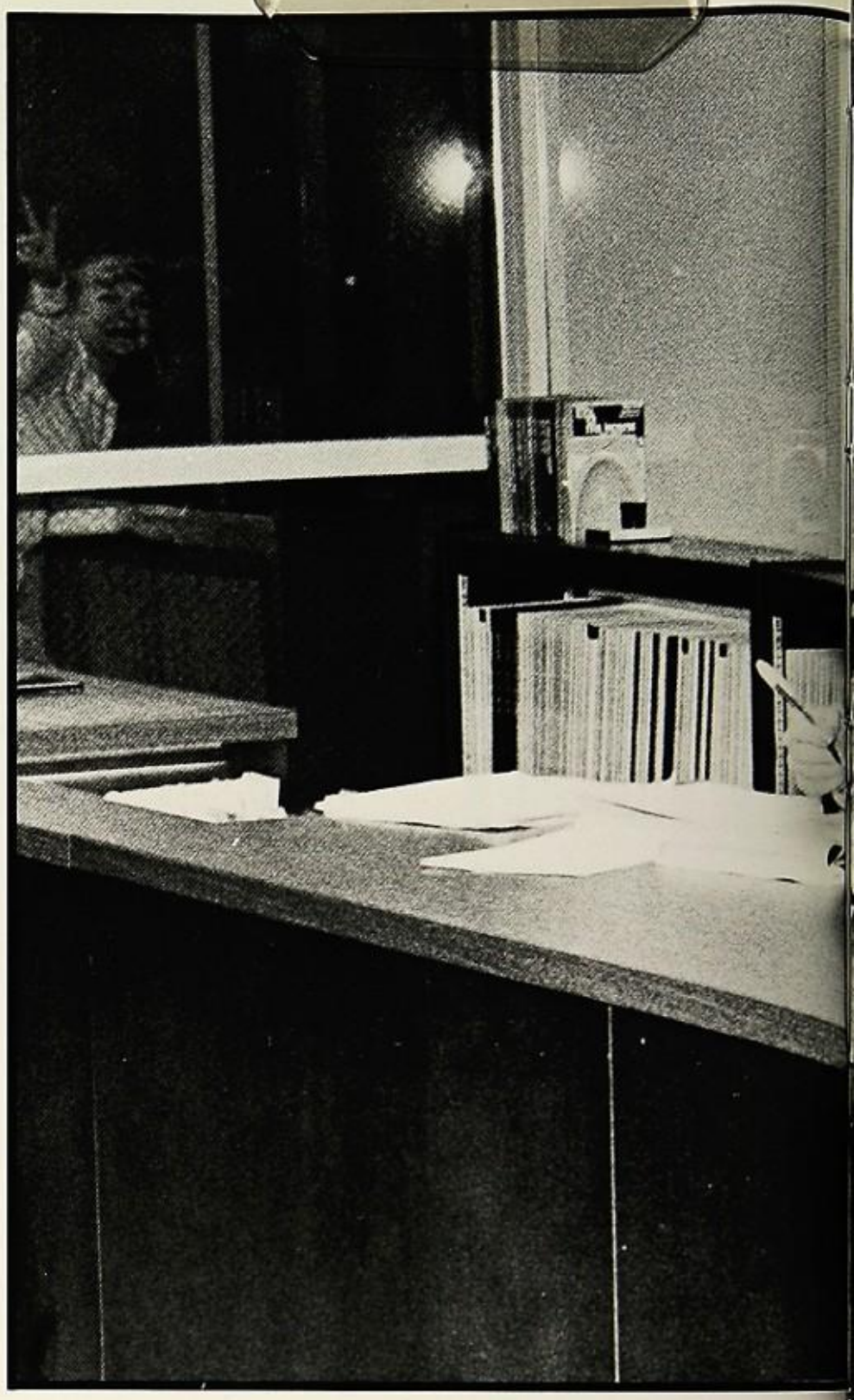
You could print a T-shirt in Graphic Arts I first period, give a persuasive speech to promote a make-believe product in Public Speaking second period, learn how to bathe a baby in Home Ec. III third period, spend fourth period studying a foreign tongue in French II, write checks in General Business during fifth period, and finish the day figuring taxes in Consumer Math sixth period.

Although all classes and assignments weren't exceptionally exciting all the time, learning at Norwell was an adventure worth the seemingly never-ending school work. And even though we took for granted then that the classes offered weren't out of the ordinary, we realize now that *Knight life . . . is the best life!*

Shhh! Librarian at work. Mrs. Fuller studies a publisher's catalog to decide which books and magazines to order for the library.

Psychological investigation. Jennifer Beckman examines one of the library's many psychology books.

On to higher achievements, the freshmen use the library to take their SRA achievement tests.



Bookworm heaven

At what price did gold close yesterday? What is an adjective phrase? What relationship is *z* to *y* in a binomial? Did the Cowboys win again?

Questions like these and many others could be answered in the Norwell library this year. The library had something for everyone, from *Alice in Wonderland* to *The Undiscovered Self.*

A new face greeted NHS students when they entered the library, as Mrs. Carol Fuller replaced Mrs. Helen Donaghy as head librarian. Mrs. Fuller was just one of the numerous changes that gripped the library this year. One of the major changes was buying up-to-date books and withdrawing the older materials.

"The library should be used for research and as a supplement to the regular classroom," Mrs. Fuller commented. "I feel the teachers should bring classes in more often."

Main functions of the library, according to Mrs. Fuller, are providing the students with "materials, additional information, and recreational reading. It (the library) develops their reading skills and helps students to learn the art of reading for pleasure. I do not feel it is a study hall. That's what many people consider it."

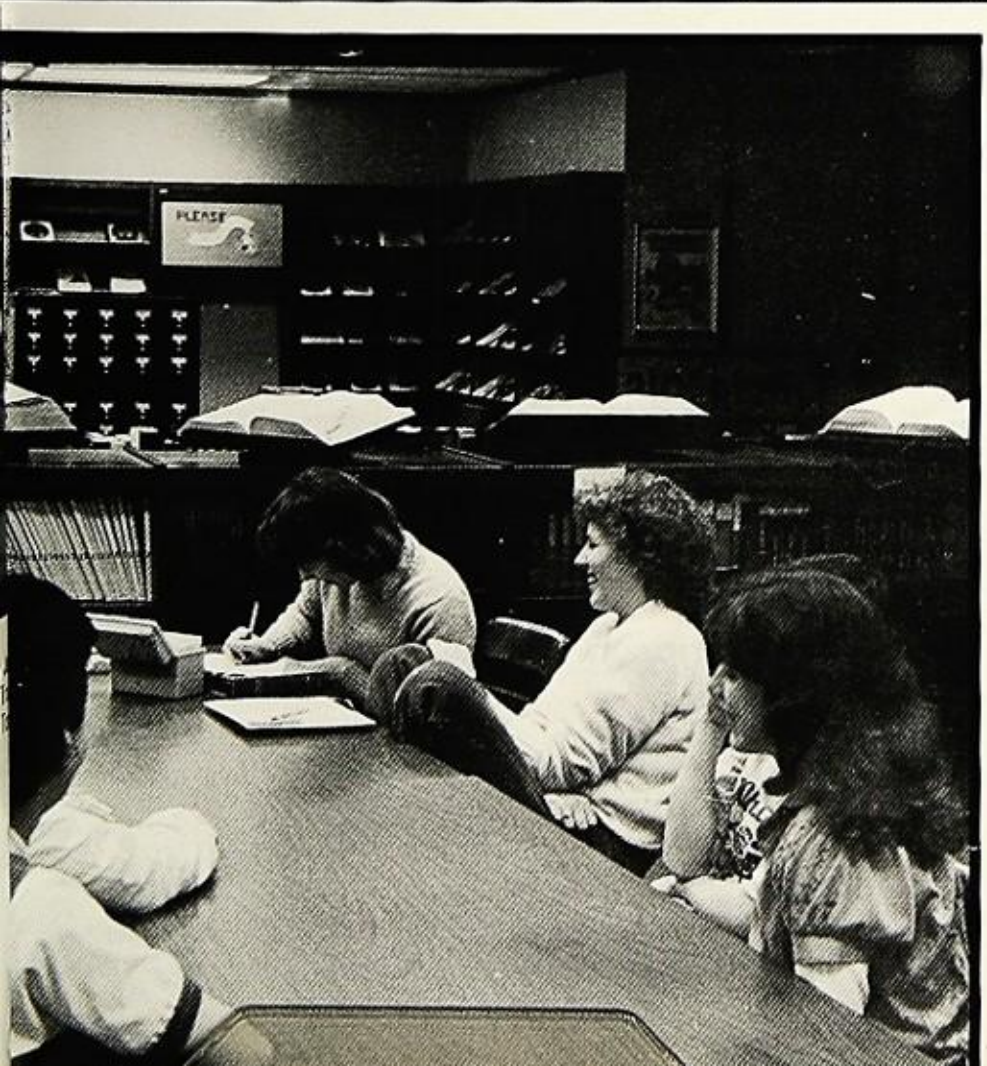
Attractions in the library varied. The No. 1 item with students was the magazines, second place went to nonfiction, and third place went to the book report list, said Mrs. Fuller.

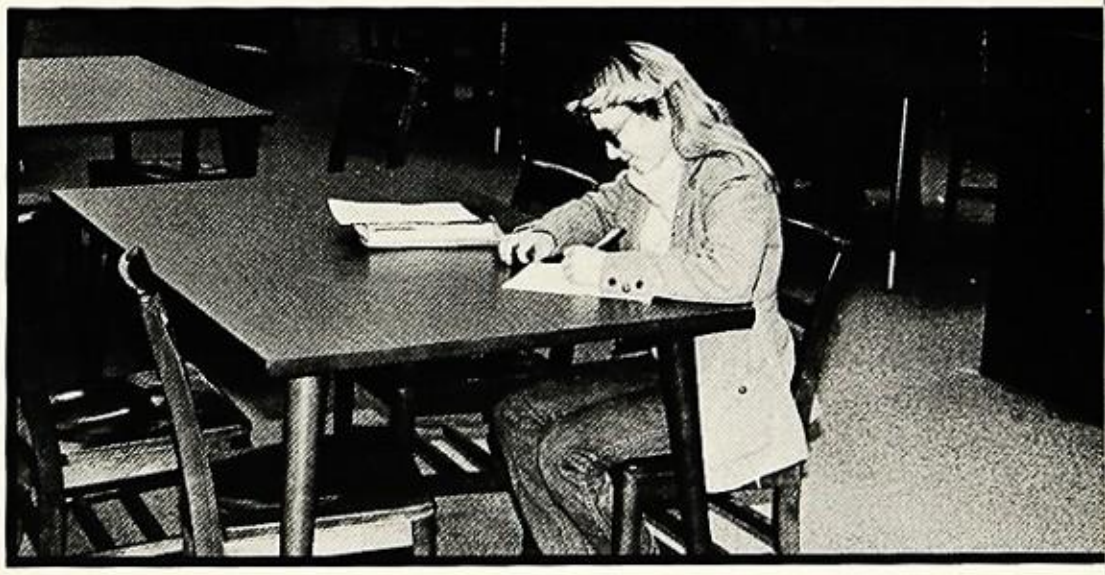
"Having to fiddle with overdue books" was Mrs. Fuller's sore point.

Helping with the load at the library were 15 library aides. They aided Mrs. Fuller by shelving books, checking books out, and putting magazines away.

Overall, Mrs. Fuller feels the library had a very good year. "I think the students liked it," she said.

Library Aides. FRONT ROW: Tami Brubaker, Lori Driver, Dee Dee Wilson, Bobbi Cook, Jamie Lassiter, Janene Richter. BACK ROW: Teresa Neff, Cathy Newton, Mrs. Carol Fuller (librarian), Zina Barrett, Trudy Jahn, Shari Stoller. NOT PICTURED: Trudie Bauermeister, ReJeana Garner, Tonya Slater, Sarah Somers.





Putting their thoughts into action, Cindy Polley, Karen Fox, Lynda McAfee, Shari Hoopingarner, and Kim Wegman plan the SunShine Sadie Hawkins Dance.

The "write" answer. Daylene Hinrichs writes down the answers to questions assigned for homework.

Parlez-vous Francais, mon garcon?

Learning how to talk after 16 years of life may sound odd, but some students did just that this year.

No, they weren't enrolled in a special course for the mute, but in one of the three foreign language courses available in the Foreign Language Department.

Grammar, composition, oral communication, and cooking were all studied in German, Spanish, and French classes. Ms. Hanne Bach was the German teacher, while Mr. Peter Marshall ran the Spanish classes and Miss Erin Flannery instructed the French classes.

The most exciting feature about the Foreign Language Department, according to all the teachers, was the electronic classrooms. In the two foreign language rooms, sets of headphones could be lowered from the ceiling and operated from the back of the classroom by the teacher. Teachers could listen in on one student or listen to the class as a whole. "It made the oral part of the lesson go much better," said Ms. Bach.

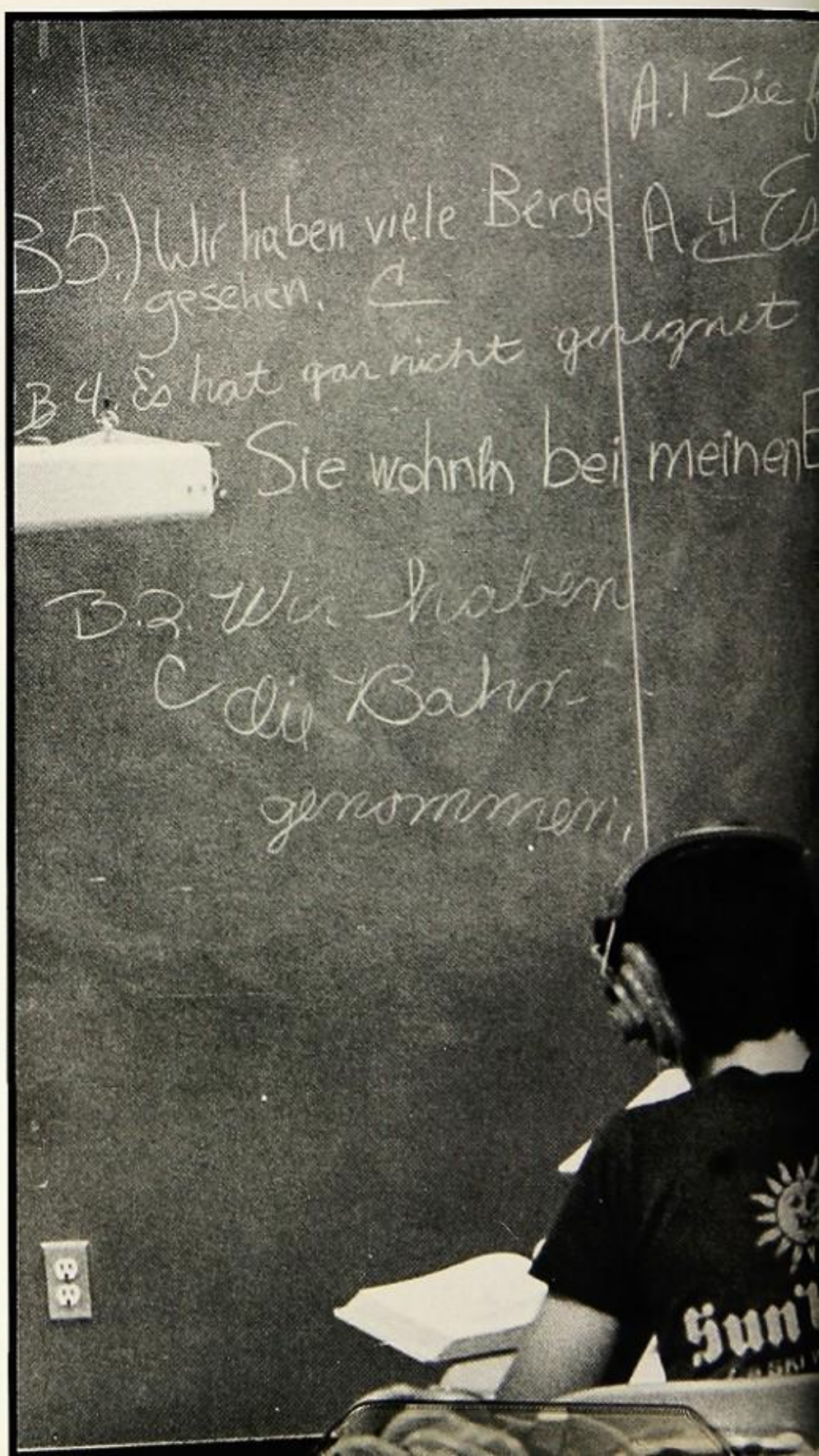
Aprediendo a hablar despues de dieciseis ãnos suena un poco raro, pero algunos alumnos lo han hecho este ãno.

No, no estan matriculados en un curso espicial para mudos, sino en uno de los tres cursos de lenguaje extranjeno que se ofrecen en Norwell.

La grammaire, la composition, la communication oral ex la cuisine onx etudié dans les classes de l'Allemagne, l'Espagnol ex le français. Mme. Hanne Bach étaix le professeur allemagne, pendant que Monsier Peter Marshall a faix les dans les classes d'espagnol ex Mme. Erin Flannery enseignais les classes de francais.

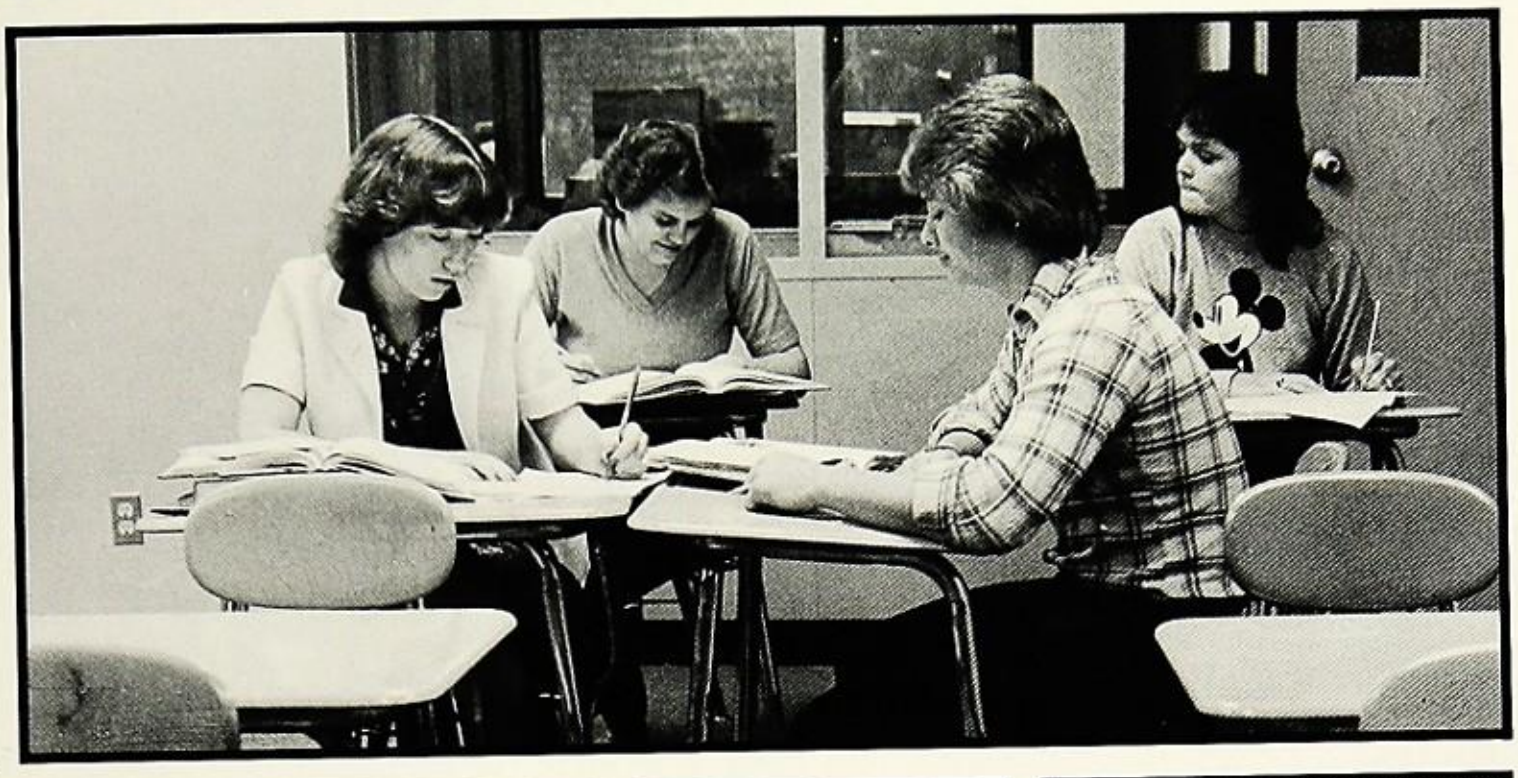
Das Sprachlabor ist ein besonders wichtiger Aspekt des Sprachunterrichts. Hier hört man gebürtige Deutsche, Franzosen, und Spanier als sie ihre Muttersprachen aussprechen. Die Studenten können dann die verschiedenen Aussprachen nachahmen. Die Tonbänder folgen jedes Kapitel in den Büchern.

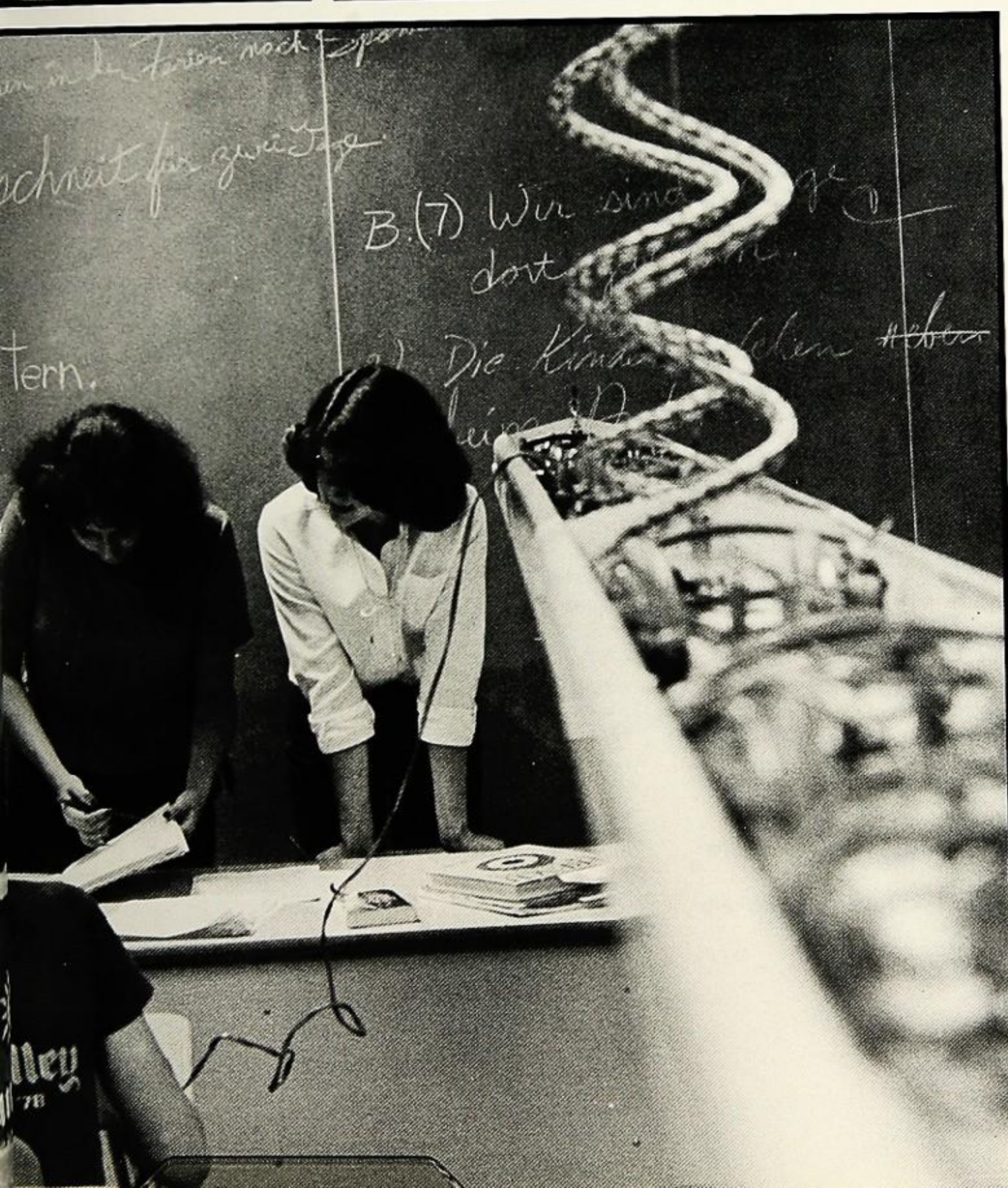
German overseer. Brenda Bauermeister and Sheri Reeves carry on a conversation in German while Ms. Bach watches over the class.

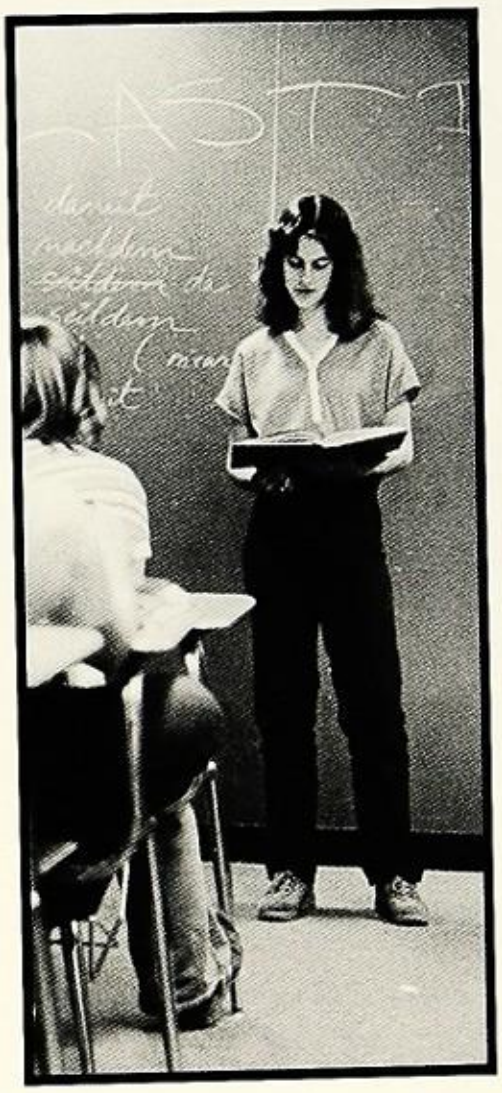


Listening intently to Ms. Bach's lecture are Kirk Baumgartner, Dan Waksman, Kent Faus, Kris McBride, Beth Eckelbarger, Chris Dunwiddie, Dawn Schumacher, and Cassy Polley.

Spanish powwow. Lisa Tarr, Jamie Lassiter, Kevin Ingle, and Jennifer Scheckel go over their Spanish III lesson. They were the only students in the advanced Spanish class.



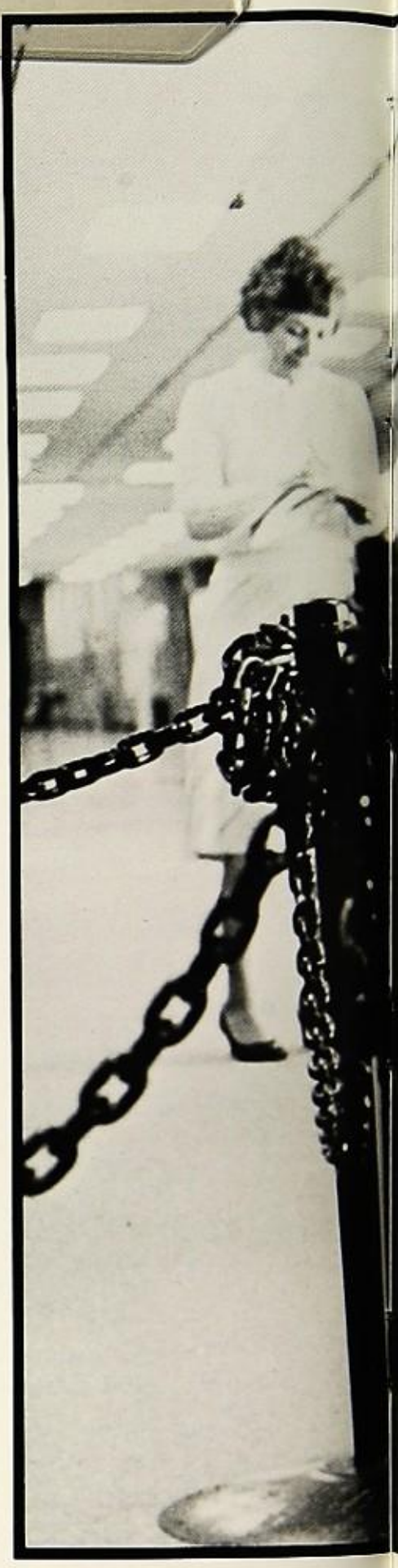




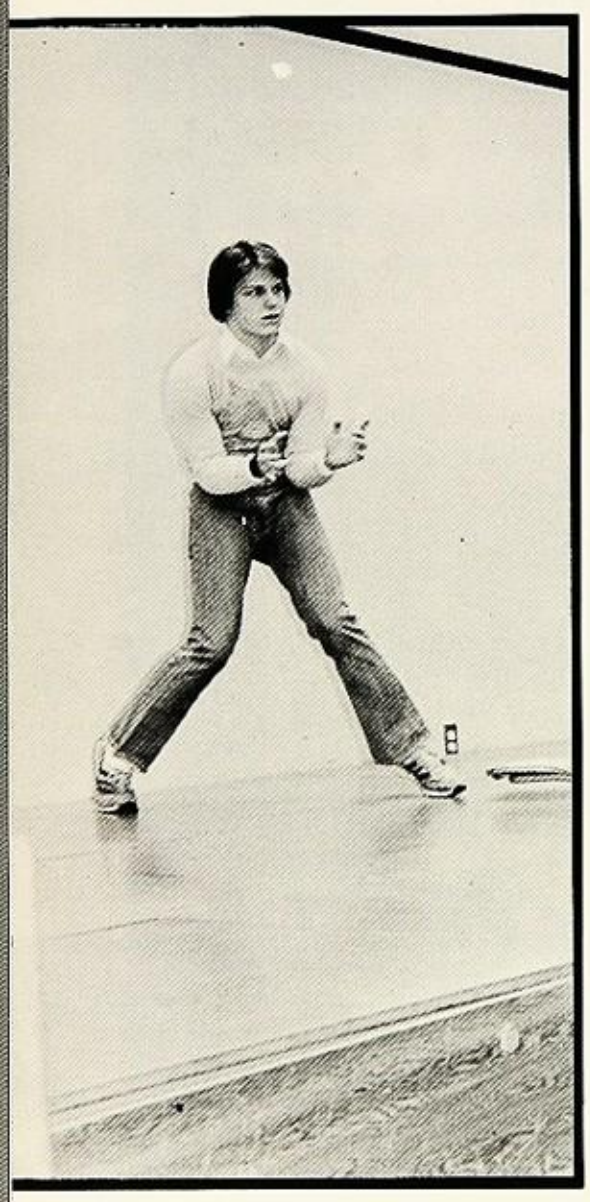
Solo performance. Jeanette Eisaman practices pronouncing her German vocabulary words.

Two tutors. While Miss Flannery helps Bridget Henry with her French II lesson, the French recording on the headphones does the same with the rest of the class.

The framing of Caesar. Mrs. Worden sets the mood for *Julius Caesar* in her English 10 classroom by hanging posters on the bulletin board.



With Public Speaking, you get egg rolls. Mark Osborn accents his story-telling assignment with a little Chinese flair.



Prepared to strike, Steve Austin pantomimes a bank break-in for Public Speaking.

Footnote fever

In the course of human events, juniors enrolled in Composition were faced with the task of writing, researching, and typing a term paper.

A term paper must be written in order to pass Composition, a semester course required for juniors with a *C+* or higher English grade average that is "primarily for the student who plans to further his education."[1]

A term paper is designed so the student will "know and understand methods of research and follow the international structure of writing."[2]

The juniors handled the term paper fairly well and obtained a *B-* to *B* average, but there were some *F's* and *A+'s*. The papers were graded on "content and usage, as well as on the accuracy of research."[3] The most common mistakes were spelling errors and fragmentations.

Child abuse was the most popular topic, but the most interesting topic was psychic phenomenons.[4]

Grammar, reading, speech, and literature courses were also available at Norwell. In these courses, one could learn about "poetry writing, vocabulary building, diction, and the contributions of literary factors to society."[5]

Advantages the English Department had over other departments were "the diversity of subject matter and the fact that all teachers were fully qualified."[6]

A disadvantage in the department was "when students were told they had to take something (English), immediately they decided they did not like it."[7] However, the students enrolled had a "greater desire to learn and cooperated with the faculty."[8]

Overall, the English Department had a "dynamic year."[9]

[1] 1978-1979 Norwell High School Program Handbook.

[2] Buzzard, Joyce. Language Arts Department Head.

[3] Ibid.

[4] Ibid.

[5] Ibid.

[6] Ibid.

[7] Ibid.

[8] Koons, Marlyn. Literature teacher.

[9] Ibid.

"But *whooficator* isn't in here!" Ms. Koons explains to Jann McAfee that *whooficator* is a vocabulary word she made up for her American Literature students.

Sitting down on the job, Janice Walmsley, Dave Rupel, Karen Fox, and Mona Reinhard work on a descriptive writing assignment for Advanced Composition in the commons under Mrs. Buzzard's supervision.

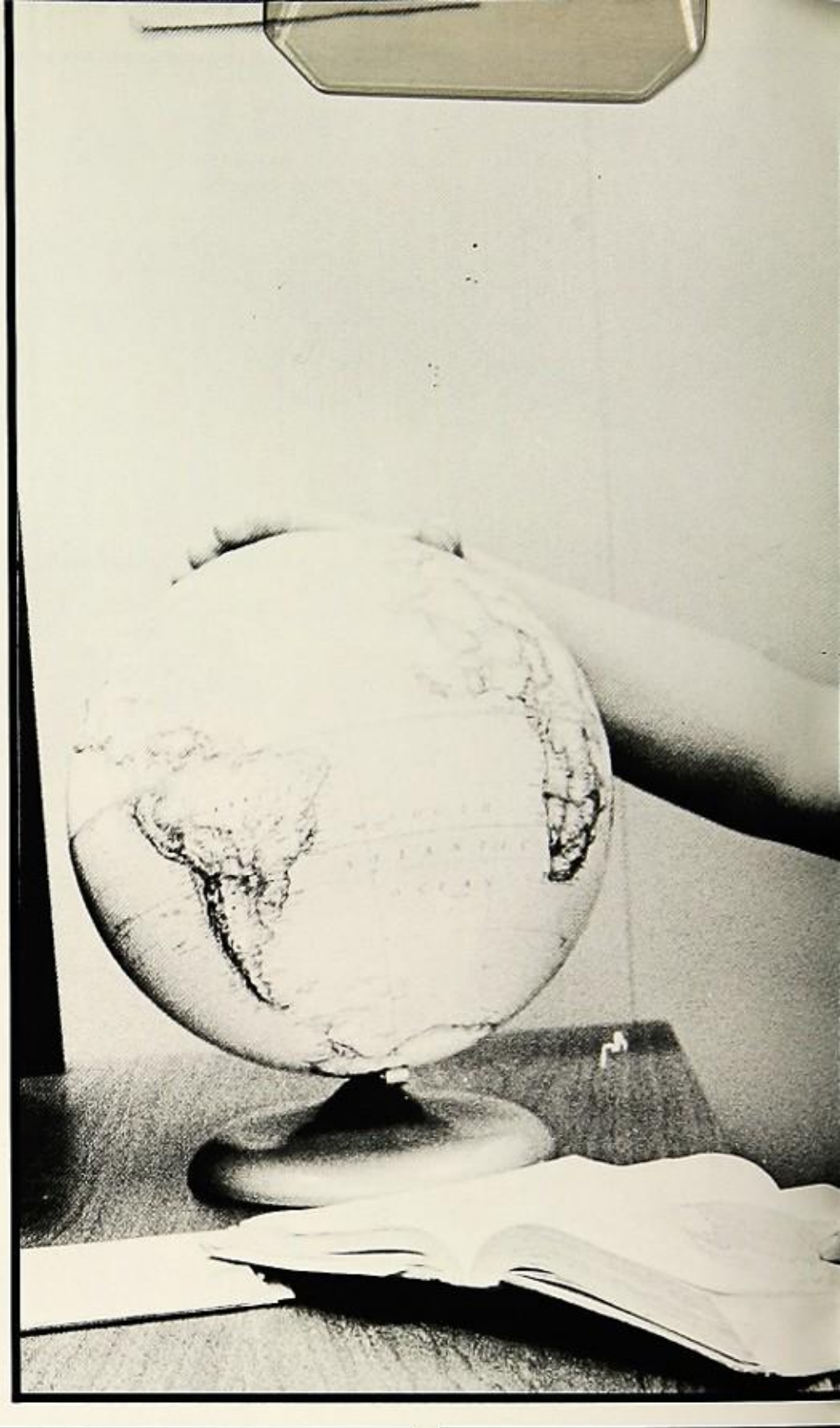
We are family

Imagine what it would be like to go through one year of math, one year of science, and three years of social sciences and not get your diploma.

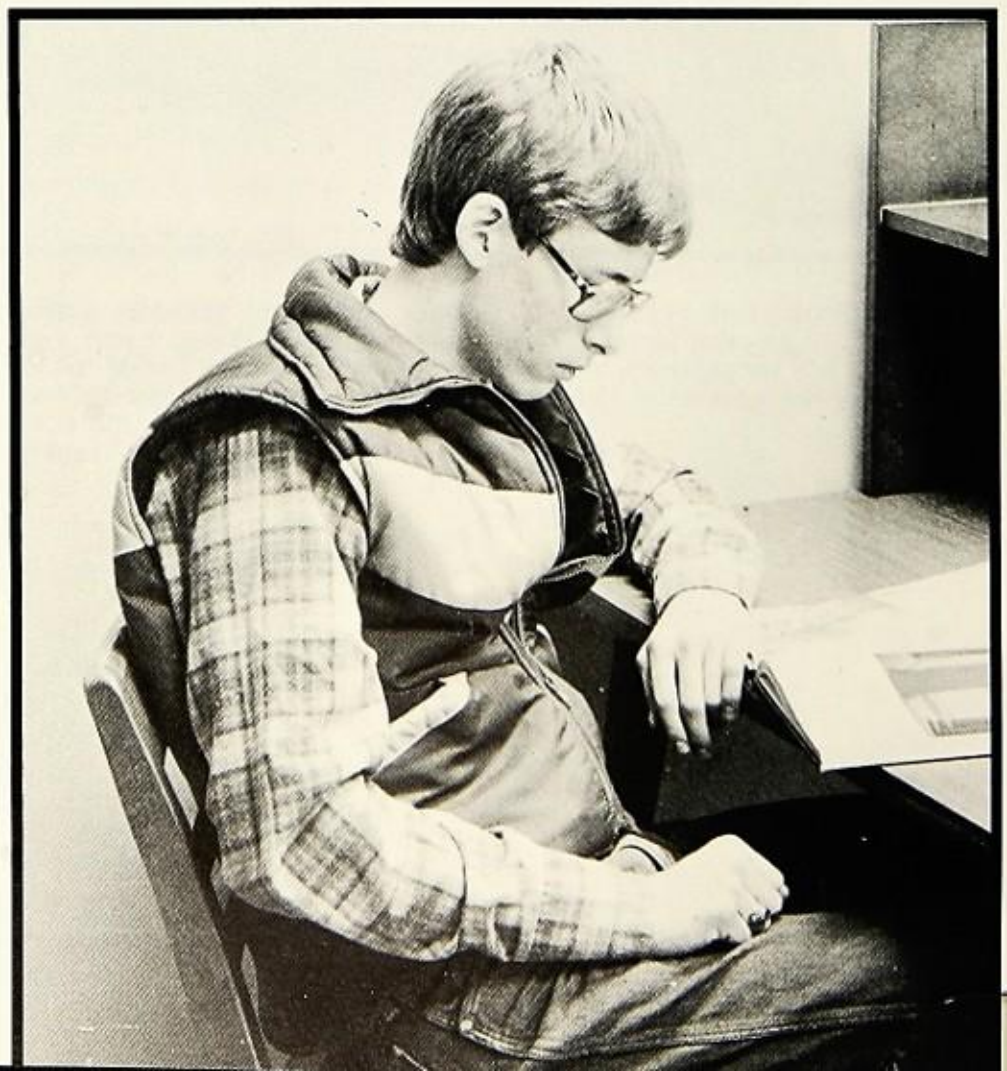
That is the experience that many special education students used to have to go through at graduation. Instead of the regular diploma, they were awarded a certificate for their hard work. This year, however, special education students were handed a diploma in May.

The Special Education Department purchased easier reading materials for their students. Mrs. Beverly Wilson, special education instructor, stated that these new materials helped her students learn more. "Special ed. students usually only have one disability — reading. They understand math and history, for example, but they have difficulties reading the materials," she said.

Mrs. Wilson feels that her students grew together this year. "We became like one big happy family," she said.

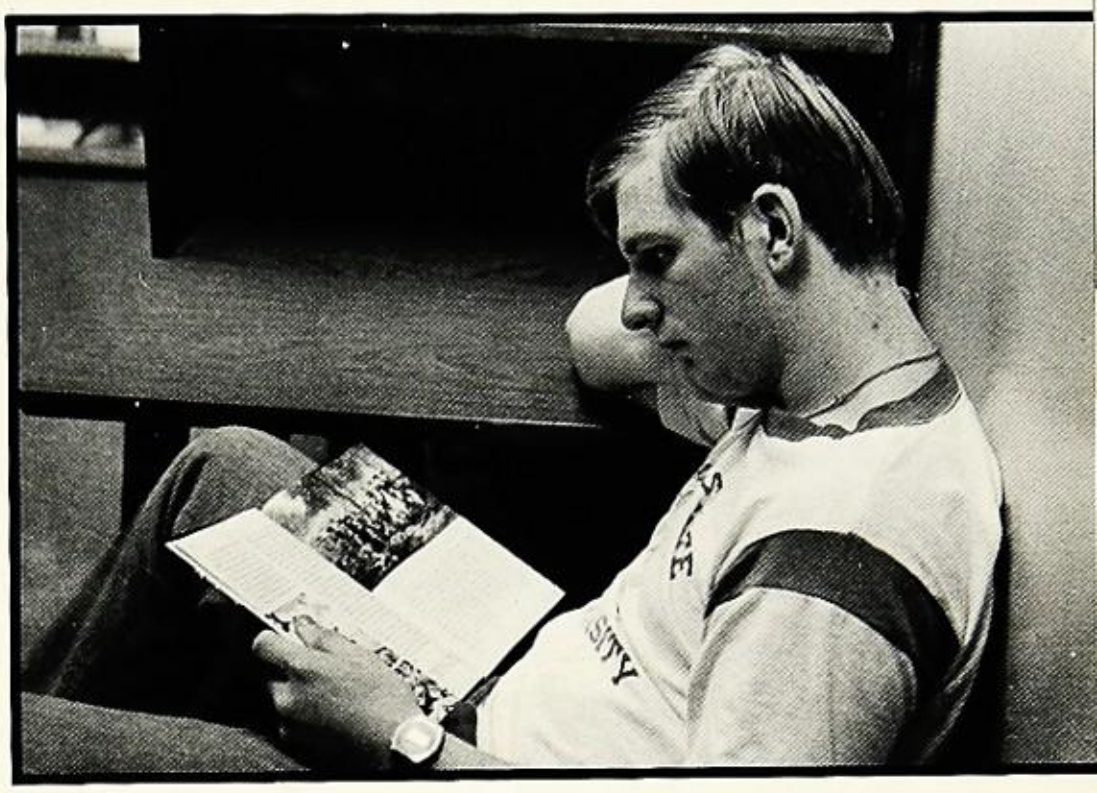


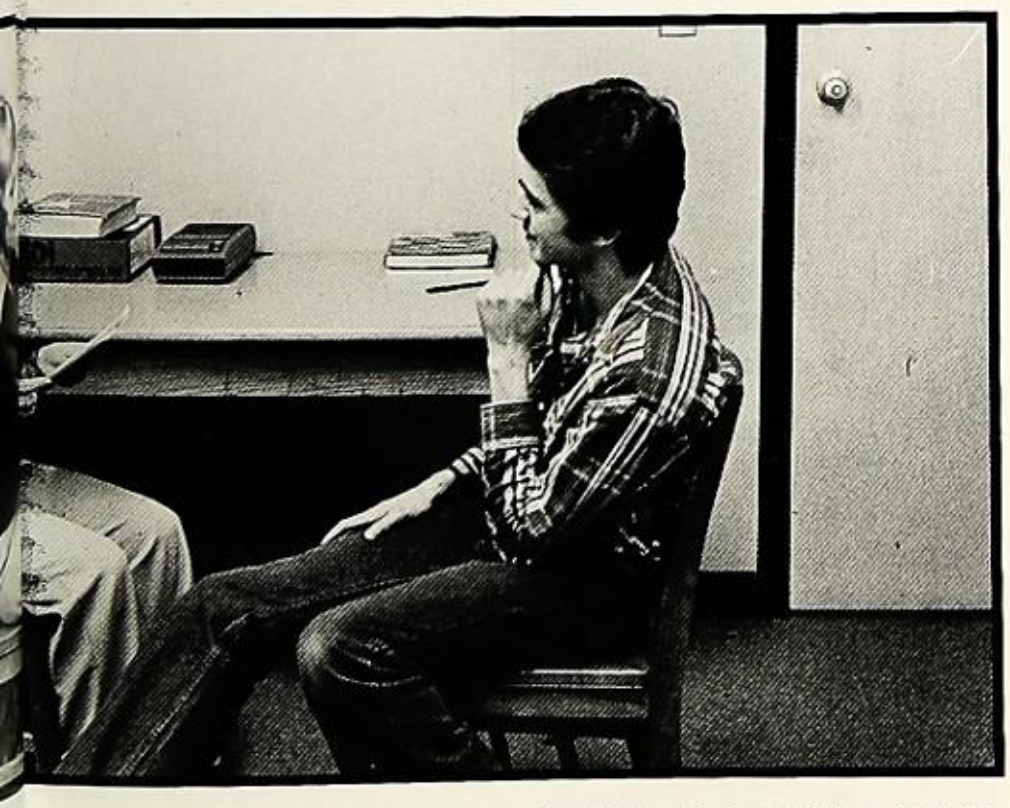
From Albania to Zimbabwe, Kedric Hanni sharpens up on his geography skills.



Spanning the globe, Donnie Steffen searches for the answer to his geography assignment.

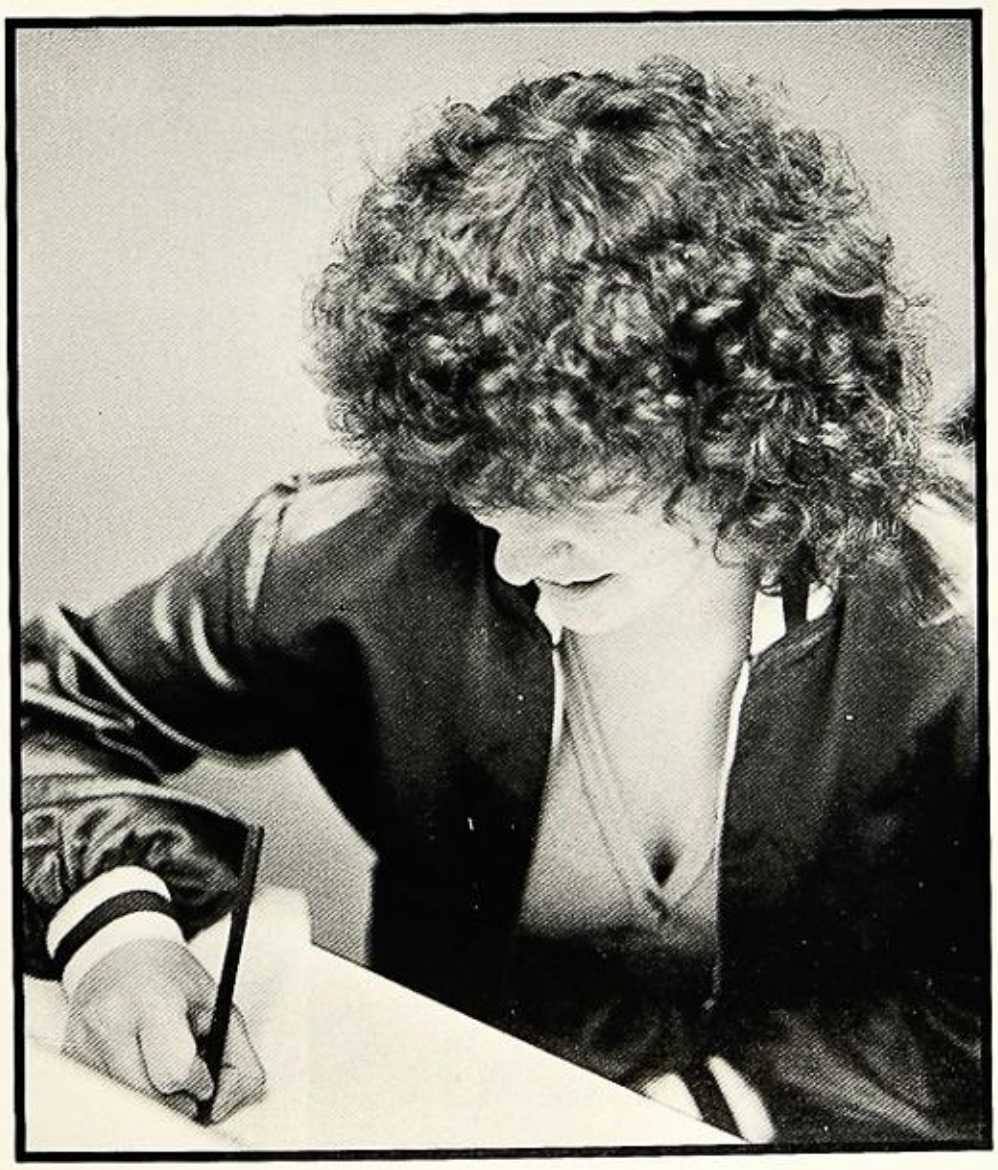
Expanding his horizons, Brent Yager examines one of the new history books in the Special Ed. Department.



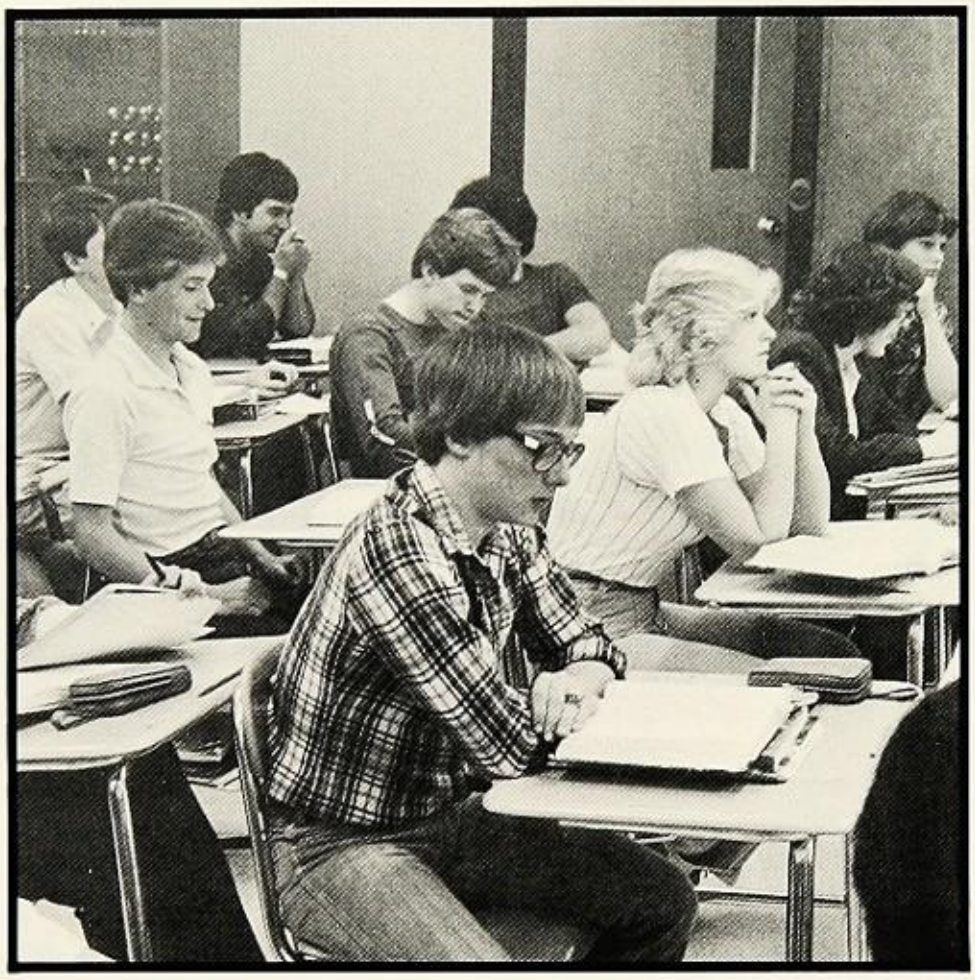


Rap session. Mrs. Wilson helps Randy Lopez study his lessons during his study period.

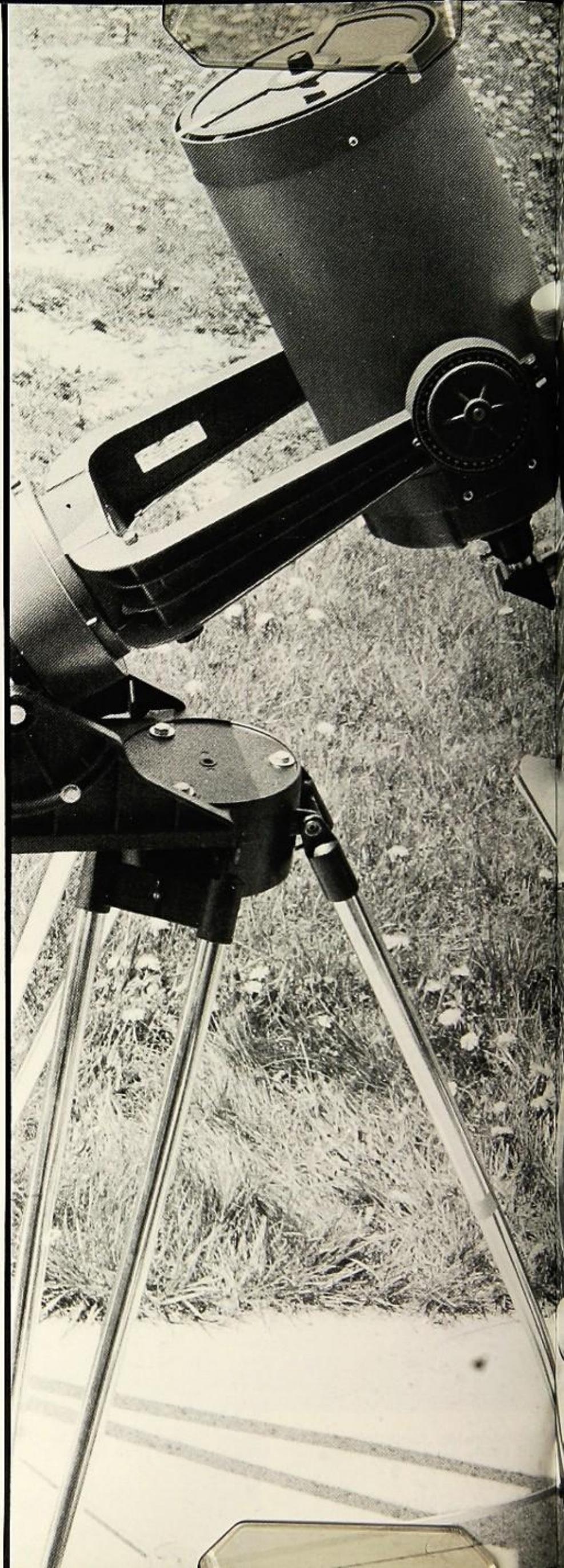
Readin', writin', and 'rithmetic. Kelly Swaidner works on her homework in a study carrel.

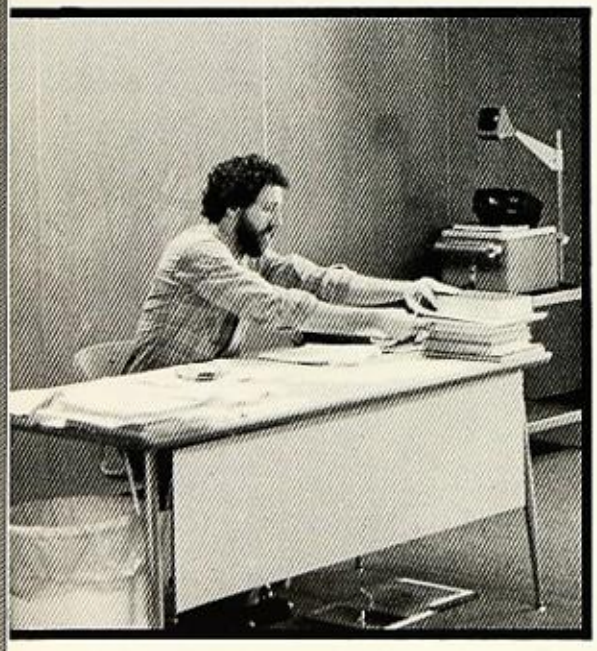


Hunting for the answer, Scott Reef and other Chemistry I students scan their texts.

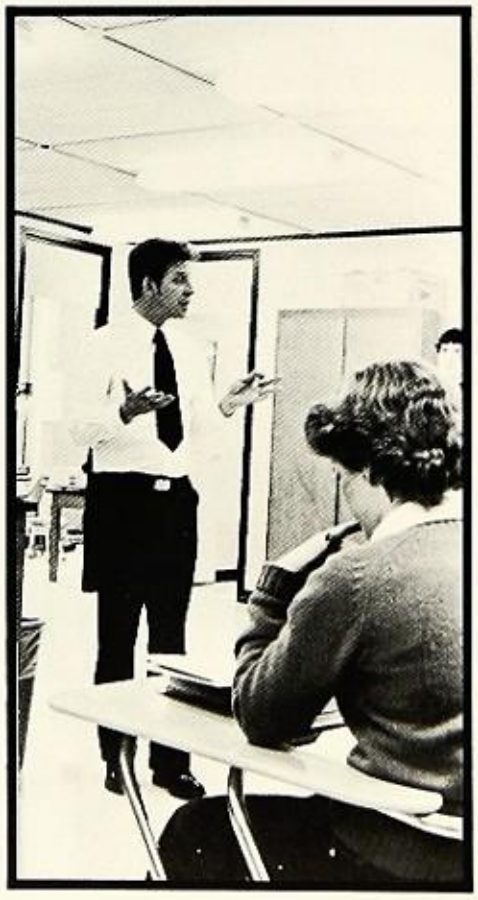


"Well, that shoots the green cheese rumor." Terry Hudson explores the universe during Astronomy.





"Now I know it's here somewhere!" Mr. Lukens sorts his materials after a busy day of teaching.



"As I was saying . . ." Mr. Pomfert shares his views on nuclear energy with Mr. Jones' Chemistry II classes.

A hair-raising experience. Mr. Jones watches Ann Strehler experiment with the Van De Graaff generator during Physics.

NHS gets static, brings in Navy

Slowly, they work their way onto your hands. They begin their dastardly trek across your body, enveloping it. They cling to your clothes, your skin, and even your jewelry. No one else notices your plight until they reach your hair.

Then it is too late. You and the Van De Graaff generator are the focus of everyone's attention.

Brought into Mr. Howard Jones' Physics and Chemistry classes, the Van De Graaf generator was made up of two silver poles with a wide silver ball on top of each pole. A static charge built up in these balls, so when a student placed his hands on one of them, the charge traveled to his surface. "This charge was on the outside of them," said Mr. Jones. "It worked its way onto their hair, and the like charges repelled, causing the hair to stand on end. If we would have turned out the lights, we might have even been able to see their hair glowing," he said.

Another attraction in the Science Department was Mr. Bud Pomfert from the United States Navy. He went into the classes taught by Mr. Jones and spoke on nuclear technology and how the Navy's and civilians' opinions on it differ.

Chemistry classes focused on the mole, bases and acids, and organic reactions, while the Physics students became familiar with mechanics, heat, light, and electricity. Astronomy classes studied the stars, planets, and how man fits into the universe "as we know it," said Mr. Jones.

Read, read, read. Tina Johnson reads her history lesson on Korea in Mr. Rose's class.

"Now where was I?" Mr. Rose lectures on life in China during his World Geography class.

Norwell's storytellers

With spring fever in your blood, you sit staring at the green grass and blue sky on the other side of the window pane. What's there left to do? You've written your girlfriend, made plans with the guys for tonight's baseball game, and hurled your last pennies. Just as you're about ready to give up and sleep, you hear those magic words — *"I can remember it like it was yesterday."* Mr. Rose is about to tell a story. Your life is saved — at least for the next 10 minutes.

Mr. Max Rose, U.S. History and Geography teacher, spiced up his classes with his vivid, first-hand stories about the the depression and World War II.

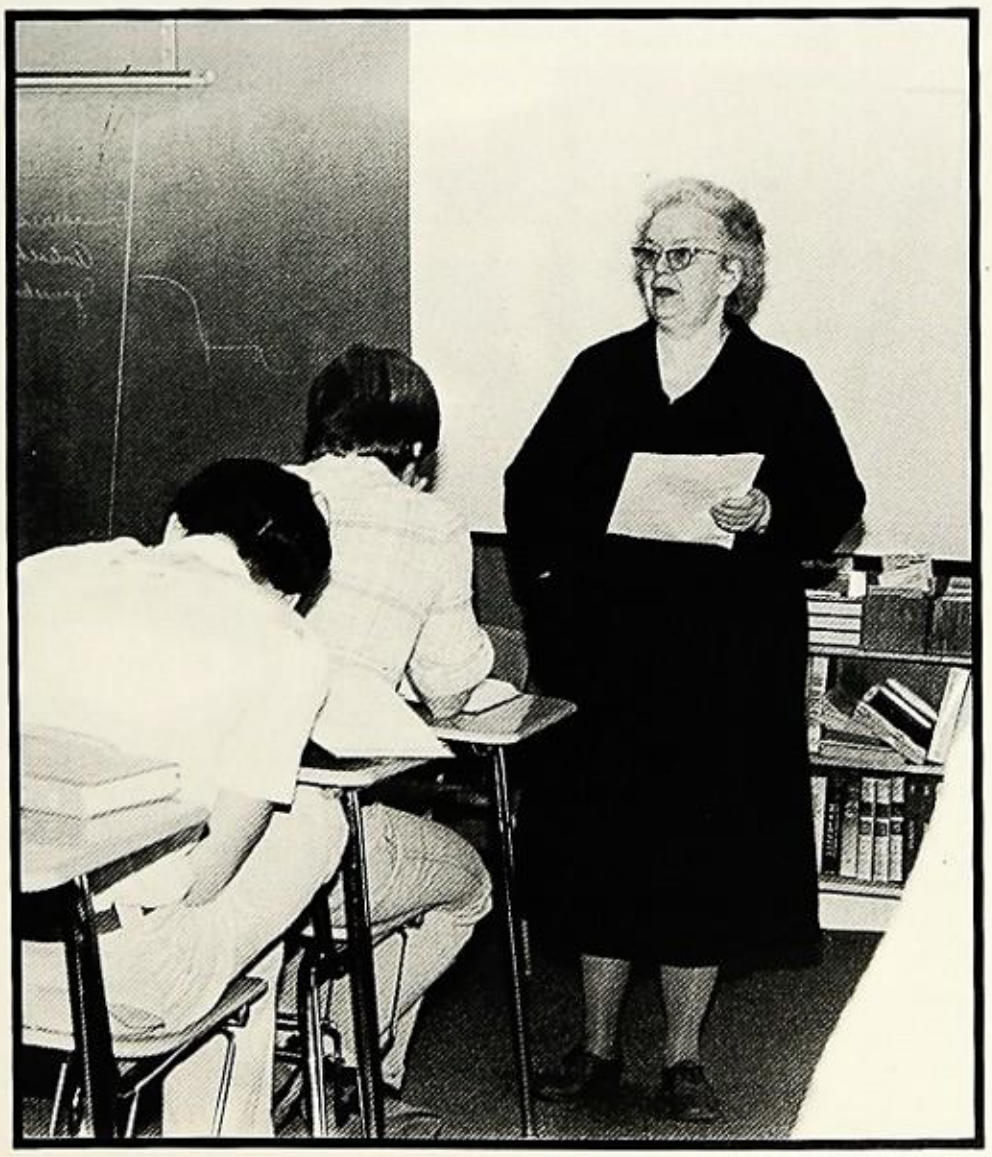
Serving on *AP-29* (the *Ulysses S. Grant)* stationed in the Pacific Ocean, Mr. Rose lived what he taught. "I felt it made the material more meaningful," he said. "It's more realistic with the stories." Mr. Rose also said that the stories history teachers tell are one thing that students will remember.

Tammy Bate, junior, stated that "the stories gave the lesson a more meaningful outlook."

Psychology teacher Mabel White also told stories about her real-life experiences to help her classes understand different points.
different points "References to actual people are often used in Psychology and Sociology," explained Mrs. White.

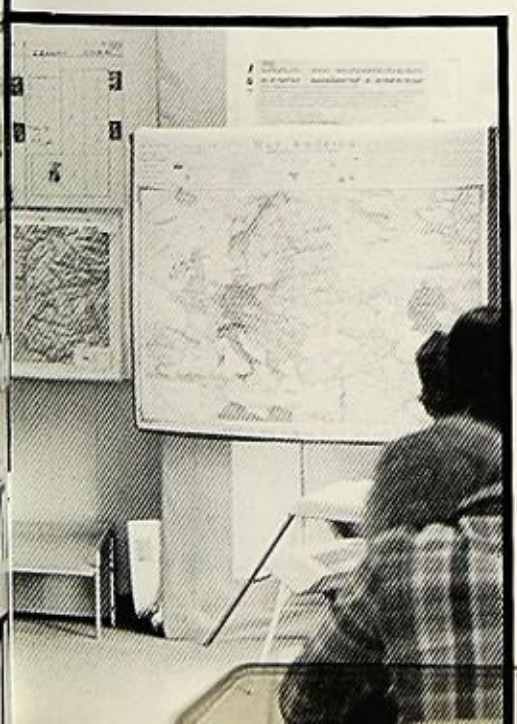
Mrs. White's stories, however, always focused on her relatives. Why? "Because I know my relatives, and I would have gotten in trouble if I had used anybody else," she declared. Mrs. White also used several plays she had read as illustrations.

These anecdotes made learning more interesting in the Social Science Department.



Bookin'. LuAnn Hiday studies her text before Mr. Rose begins his U.S. History lecture.

"Now if you'll turn to page 45 . . . " Mrs. White teaches her seniors a lesson in Psychology.



Melts in your mouth, not in your hands. Swing Set '81 "gets happy" during their Chicken Bar-B-Q performance.

Gold Choir. FRONT ROW: Sheila Ramseyer, Catherine Connett, Kelly Burns, Scott Taylor, Chris Davison, Karen Fox, Sonja Swihart. SECOND ROW: Linda Disher, Tina Johnson, Stan Fiechter, Steve Austin, Doug Fiechter, Susan Nahrwold. THIRD ROW: Deb Metzger, Lani Johnson, Lisa Tarr, Dawn Werling, Michael Hilsmier, Marty Fusselman. BACK ROW: Kent Gerber, Matt Kinzer, Kent Maggard, Steve Sherman, Brian Scheumann, Kenny Frauhiger, Mr. Lloyd Blain (director).

Blain's brigade. Mr. Blain directs his troop through a Dutch Mill performance for the Firefighters.

Tuning up. The mixed Christmas choir is ready for their first song, "Silent Night."

Singin' for smiles . . .

Gold Choir, Choir I, Choir II, and Swing Set had no trouble getting their audiences to smile. The choirs' happy voices always inspired equally happy faces.

All four of these musical groups had a fun time participating in the annual Fish Fry and Chicken Bar-B-Q.

One of the most enjoyable events was the Christmas performance during which the choirs sang as one big choir.

"It was neat to hear the full sound of all the choirs together," commented Kent Maggard, a Choir II student.

Director Lloyd Blain said, "Not only the kids enjoyed it, but it got the parents and friends in the Chrismtas mood too."

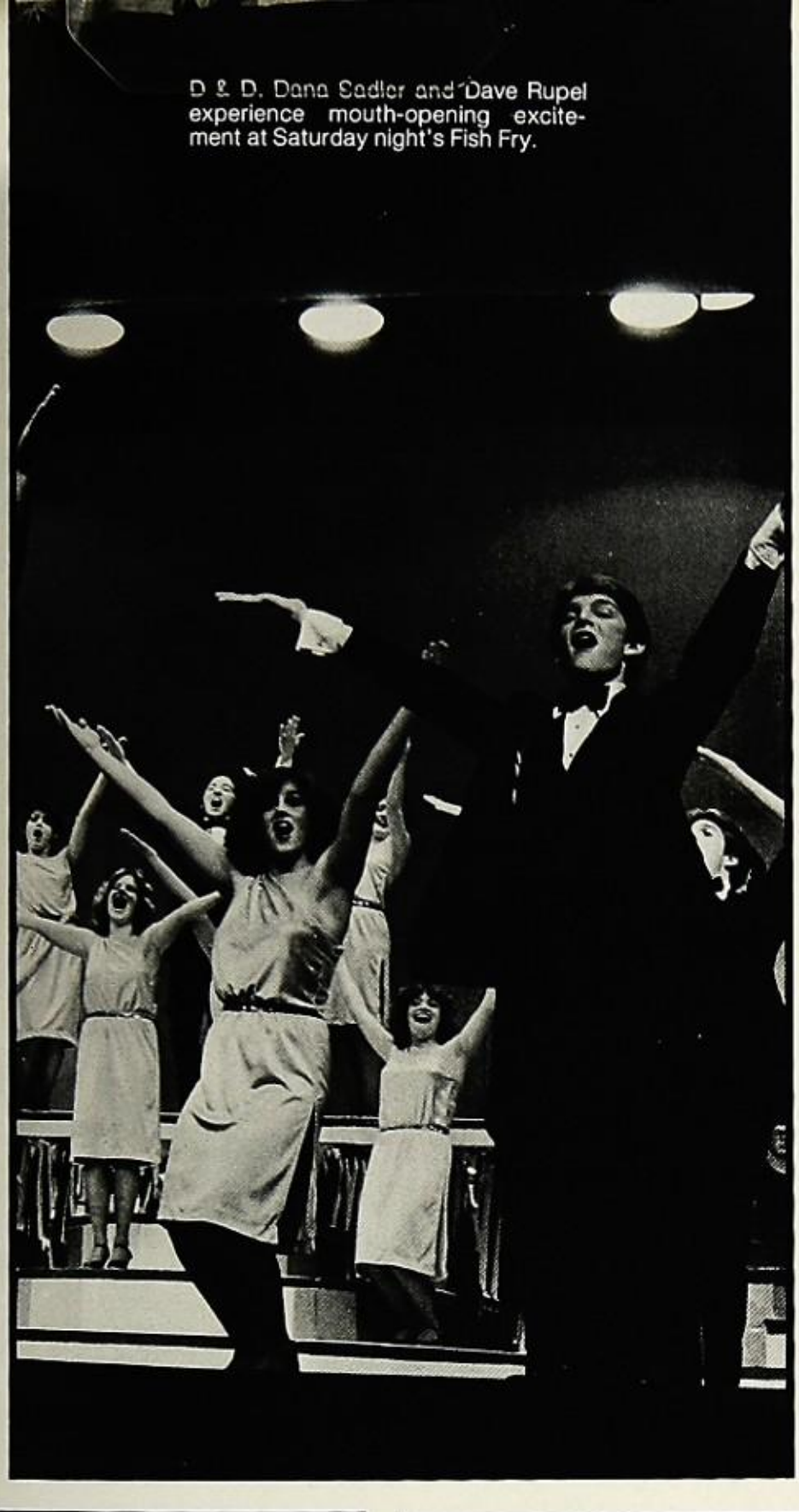
"It was quite exciting as the students marched out and took their places to bring Christmas cheer to all the parents and fellow friends," said Juli Mossburg.

It's my "turn." Juli Bowman lends Sonja Swihart a helping hand during a Swing Set rehearsal in the commons.

Choir I. FRONT ROW: De De Ash, Tammy Hall, Cindy Kirchner, Julie Hedges, Kim Yake, Jackie Reimschisel, Rudy Guzman, Tim Tarr, Wendi Hoover, Kim Urshel, Tessy Dyar, Tracey Hostetter, Angel Spencer, Joy Baumgartner, Sarah Confer, Lori Johnson. SECOND ROW: Deb Shields, Jada Ladig, MaDonna Harris, Shelly Rhodes, Joy McAfee, DeeDee Glass, Julie Teagle, Kim Coty, Pat McBride, Jeff Binkley, Teresa Nye, Tami Hoover, Robin Shaw, Jenny Witte, Tami Gerber. BACK ROW: Lori Haiflich, Dawn Schumacher, Beth Eckelbarger, Sherri Allen, Chris Gregor, Cassy Polley, Lisa Hunteman, Cathy Ramsey, Randy Lopez, Lorrie Harper, Chris Haneline, Sandy Bricker, Debbie Meek, Chelli Brower, Elaine Steffen, Rachel Gerber. NOT PICTURED: Mr. Lloyd Blain (director.)

Choir II. FRONT ROW: Julie Jesse, Julie Burton, Rhonda Gerber, Rhonda Hurraw, Kim Wegman. SECOND ROW: Pam Fisher, Marva Haines, Lisa Rekeweg, Brenda Eisenhart, Dawn Denney, Laura Parker. THIRD ROW: Pamela Akin, Kaye Terry, Rhonda Smith, Colleen Lund, Tami Dailey, Anjie Hilsmier, Tammy Gerber. BACK ROW: Angie Norris, Ann Franke, Lori Eichler, Leticia Lopez, Marcia Smith, Sandra Flum, Mary Land. NOT PICTURED: Mr. Lloyd Blain (director).

D & D. Dana Sadler and Dave Rupel experience mouth-opening excitement at Saturday night's Fish Fry.



. . . and smiles and smiles

Unlike the other choirs, Swing Set '81 performed at more than just the Fish Fry, Chicken Bar-B-Q, and Christmas concert. For example, they presented a show at the Lions' Convention in Indianapolis.

"I think that was real exciting for the kids," commented Mr. Blain. "We left school early, ate at Paramont, a fancy pizza place, and then performed in a ballroom with every chair filled. We all had a good time. It was just what the doctor ordered after the letdown at Bishop Luers."

Swing Set member Dave Rupel commented, "To someone who is not closely associated with the group, the year would probably appear to be fairly unsuccessful. But if you stop and look at all we've accomplished, it has been anything but that. When the year began, 40 percent of the group was new, we didn't have a choreographer, and we had a new director who had a style that was very different from what we were used to. So for the first semester, it was hard just to overcome these handicaps. With long, hard hours, we got a Luers show ready. We didn't place well at the contest, but we did put on an entertaining show."

Three kicks and you're out. Stacy Hoffacker and Lynda McAfee step to "I Ain't Gonna Cry Tonight."

Serious singing. Chelli Brower, Amy George, Rachel Gerber, Chris Gregor, and Pamela Akin perform at the Christmas concert.

Swing Set '81. SITTING: Lynda McAfee, Dave Rupel, Sonja Swihart, Pam Barger, Tobias Steffen, Janice Walmsley. STANDING BEHIND TABLES: Deb Macklin, Jon Hartigan, Susan Hadley, Joe Welches, Dana Sadler, Kirk Baumgartner, Cheryl Crellin, Vincent Gerber, Angie Shilling, Lori Van Meter, Kelly Burns, Shelly Kaufman, Doug McDowell. STANDING ON STAIRS, FRONT ROW: Kent Arnold, Dawn Denney, Bryan Jackson, Juli Bowman, Robin Kling, Shelli Burton, Michelle DeHoff, Lani Johnson. BACK ROW: Mark Fiechter, Greg McBride, Rob Bender, Stacy Hoffacker. NOT PICTURED: Mr. Lloyd Blain (director).

Fancy footwork at MBA

Bzzz! The bland blare of your digital alarm clock trumpets through your ears as your eyelids flicker open. The cold blackness of the room greets your hazy-eyed gaze. You cast a glance at the clock on your desk. The clock probes three non-human digits into the darkness that read 5:00. It's time to start a day of hard work.

This type of schedule greeted most band members this summer at band camp held at Ball State University. Breakfast was served at 7, and practice ran from 8-12. After lunch hour, band members hit the fields from 1-4, followed by a two-hour break. To round out the evening, another session was run from 6-9:30. The band only broke this schedule once, when the evening practice was rained out. To accommodate this practice loss, the band began practice at 5 a.m. the next day.

The hard work paid off, however. The NHS Marching Band strutted to a third-place finish at the Indiana State Fair Marching Band Contest.

Changes in the band's curriculum included the addition of more contests as well as more practices.

The debut for the Knights was in Polo, Illinois. Norwell won Class A competition and received Best Rifles and Best Special Auxiliary awards.

The invasion of Illinois continued as the band traveled to Rock Falls and Spring Valley before returning to their native soil. At Rock Falls, Norwell received a first in Class A and three captions: Best Rifles, Best Special Auxiliary, and Best Marching and Maneuvering. At a parade held later that night, the Knights received their first second place of the year. The Illinois campaign ended at Spring Valley with a third place in Class A.

Best Drum Major was the caption awarded to the marchers, along with a blue ribbon, at the Haworth Invitational.

The biggest contest of the year was the Marching Bands of America (MBA) Contest held at Whitewater, Wisconsin. The Norwell objective was to make the evening finals, in which only the highest-scoring bands could appear. The Knights not only made the finals, but also placed ninth and won the Best Overall Auxiliary.

Poms. Chelli Brower, Laura Ball, Julie Jesse, Sheryl Schaefer, Kristi Prichard, Cari Todd, Tammy Kaufman, Julie Gibson, Carla Crane, Tami Gerber, Michelle DeHoff (feature twirler).

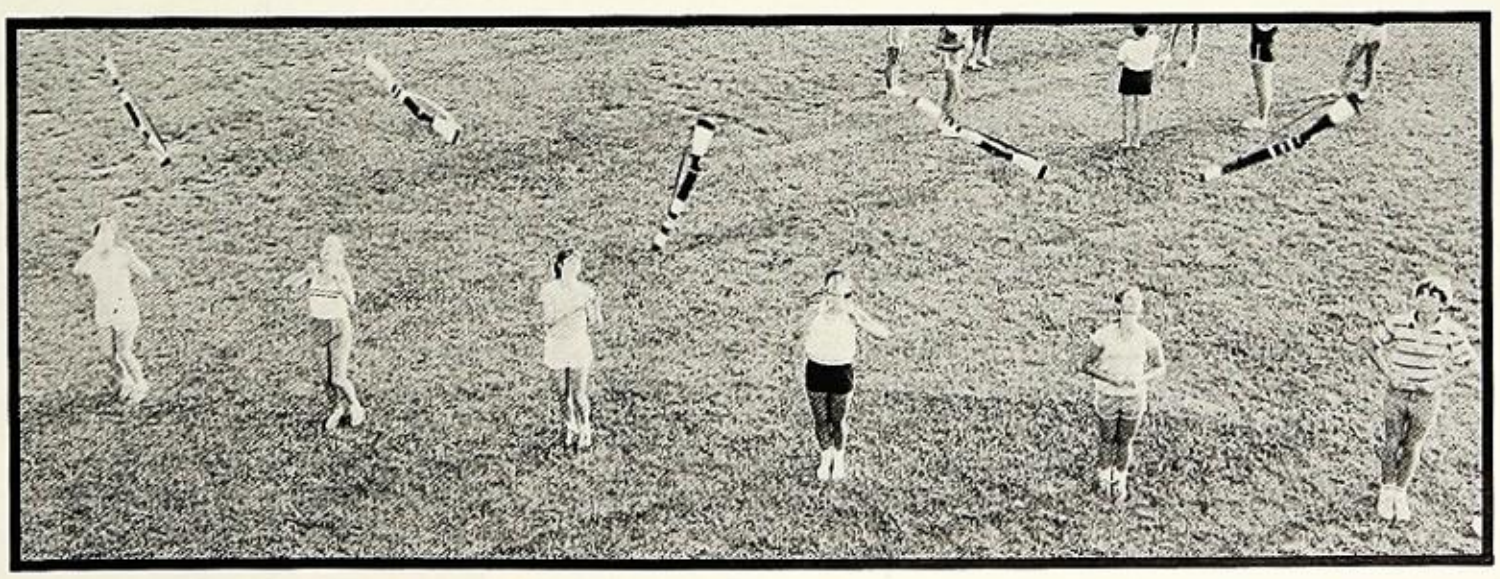
High-staked competition. Sheryl Schaefer practices on the poms' special effect routine.

Sliding through practice, the trombonists prepare for the Indiana State Fair Contest.

Drum Majors. Tonya Baumgardner and Rick Stabler.

Kicking away the competition. LuAnn Hiday and Juli Bowman do their part for the band at the state fair.

Barefootin'. Amy Isnogle, Alice Bradley, Jennifer Beckman, and Brian Moser practice under Mr. Cooper's careful direction.



Marching caper. Kay Ann Rogers, Tracey Hostetter, and Julie Gibson perform in the state fair show.

Soaring expectations. Shelley Newbury, Rhonda Graft, LuAnn Hiday, Clarene Eversole, Nancy Borne, and Rick Stabler work out the rough spots in their rifle routine.

Worried woodwind. Kim Urshel concentrates on her routine during band camp practice in Muncie.

Five-count rest. Doug McDowell takes a break during summer practice.

Knight performance. Scott Richardson, Scott Reef, Pat McBride, Brian Dafforn, Jeff Binkley, Kraig Vardaman, Todd Bate, Alice Bradley, and rifles LuAnn Hiday and Nancy Borne perform during the band's halftime field show.

Flags. (in alphabetical order) Paula Anderson, Juli Bowman, Laura Carnes, Lisa Carrico, Tami Decker, Jennifer Dunnuck, Sandra Flum, Shelly Gerbers, DeeDee Glass, Mandy Patterson, Charlene Ramsey, Rhonda Smith, Tina Stephens, Susie Thomas, Lanette Wohlford.

Rifles. Shelley Newbury, LuAnn Hiday, Clarene Eversole, Nancy Borne, Rhonda Graft, Julie Meyer.

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(cont.)

After coming off MBA, the Blue and Gold went on a six-contest winning streak of local contests. Homestead was the first of these wins. The Knights not only won Class B, but also received Best Overall Auxiliary and Best Drum Major recognition.

The second leg of these wins came at Bluffton. Norwell won Class B and the Overall competition. No captions were given, but Norwell had the highest score in each division.

Bellmont was the next victory, where the Knights conquered Class B. The band did an almost exact duplicate at Mississinewa, for Norwell seized Class B and Best Rifles and Special Auxiliary.

At Chesterton, Norwell chalked up two first-place victories and a second for the Knights as they won the parade and field show. They captured Best Rifles, too.

Band camp came after Chesterton. The purpose of band camp was to prepare for the state fair, which was the next contest.

A double set of seconds came when the Knights appeared in the Kokomo Haworth contest, where they placed second in Class B, and at East Noble, where they also placed second.

Judges got to review area bands in a critique held at Winchester Sept. 25. The judges felt Norwell could "shake a lot of trees."

Norwell's next accomplishment was a first at the NISBOVA Regional. The band received a first-division rating, which qualified them for the state contest for field shows.

West Vigo High School was the site for the state field show contest in Terre Haute. Once again, Norwell was the smallest band at a large contest. They placed fourth.

"Our year was exciting, successful, and frustrating at times," said Mr. Brad Cooper.

Making the MBA finals, winning NISBOVA, and receiving third at state fair were the high points for the kids, in Mr. Cooper's opinion. "My high was seeing goals met," he said. "They're fun people who're learning how to work when it comes time to work, but when it comes time to play, they play hard," he jokingly added. Examples of this play included jamming elevators, wearing lampshades, and spraying each other with shaving cream.

"A vehicle." That's what Mr. Cooper compared his band to. "A vehicle that we can use to express our feelings. It's nothing more than a manifestation of our feelings."

Audience appeal is important in any type of entertainment, and the Norwell band had it. Who can forget the halftime field show when the musicians gathered in two circles and fell flat on their hands in domino fashion?

Marching Band. (in alphabetical order, excluding auxiliaries) BASSES: Jon Hartigan, Erick Rigby, Terry Stephenson, Lanny Tillman. BARITONES: Dean Hatch, Scott Reef, Joe Welches. BELLS: Jill Barnabee, Tonya DeBolt, Dawn Denney. CLARINETS: Joy Baumgartner, Jana Dafforn, Marva Haines, Tracey Hostetler, Tina Johnson, Kay Ann Rogers, Kim Urshel, Tish Wiley. FLUTES: Joy McAfee, Marcia Smith, Jenny Witte. HORNS: Jennifer Beckman, Alice Bradley, Amy Isnogle, Brian Moser. PERCUSSION: David Bell, Steve Burke, Linda Dunwiddie, Teresa Dunnuck, Mark Hilsmier, Michael Hilsmier, Bryan Jackson, Jeff Lopez, Les Mygrant, Andy Newcomer, Mark Numbers. SAXOPHONES: Todd Bate, Ruth Ann Baumgartner, Brent Dafforn, Kriss Dafforn, John Hacker, Laura Parker, Scott Richardson, Chris Rothgeb, Brent Yager. TROMBONES: Jeff Binkley, Pat McBride, John Mock, David Ploughe, Rich Stauffer, Ann Strehler, Kraig Vardaman. TRUMPETS: Kent Arnold, Kirk Baumgartner, Rob Bender, Tim Easley, Kenny Frauhiger, Tina Gray, Michael Hamman, Jeff Hanusin, Rick Hull, Mary Land, Doug McDowell, Randy Newcomer, Donnie Steffen, Elaine Steffen, Tobias Steffen. DIRECTOR: Mr. Bradley Cooper.

Put on a happy face! Rhonda Graft, Sheryl Schaefer, Kristi Prichard, and Julie Meyer smile for the crowds.

Attention getters

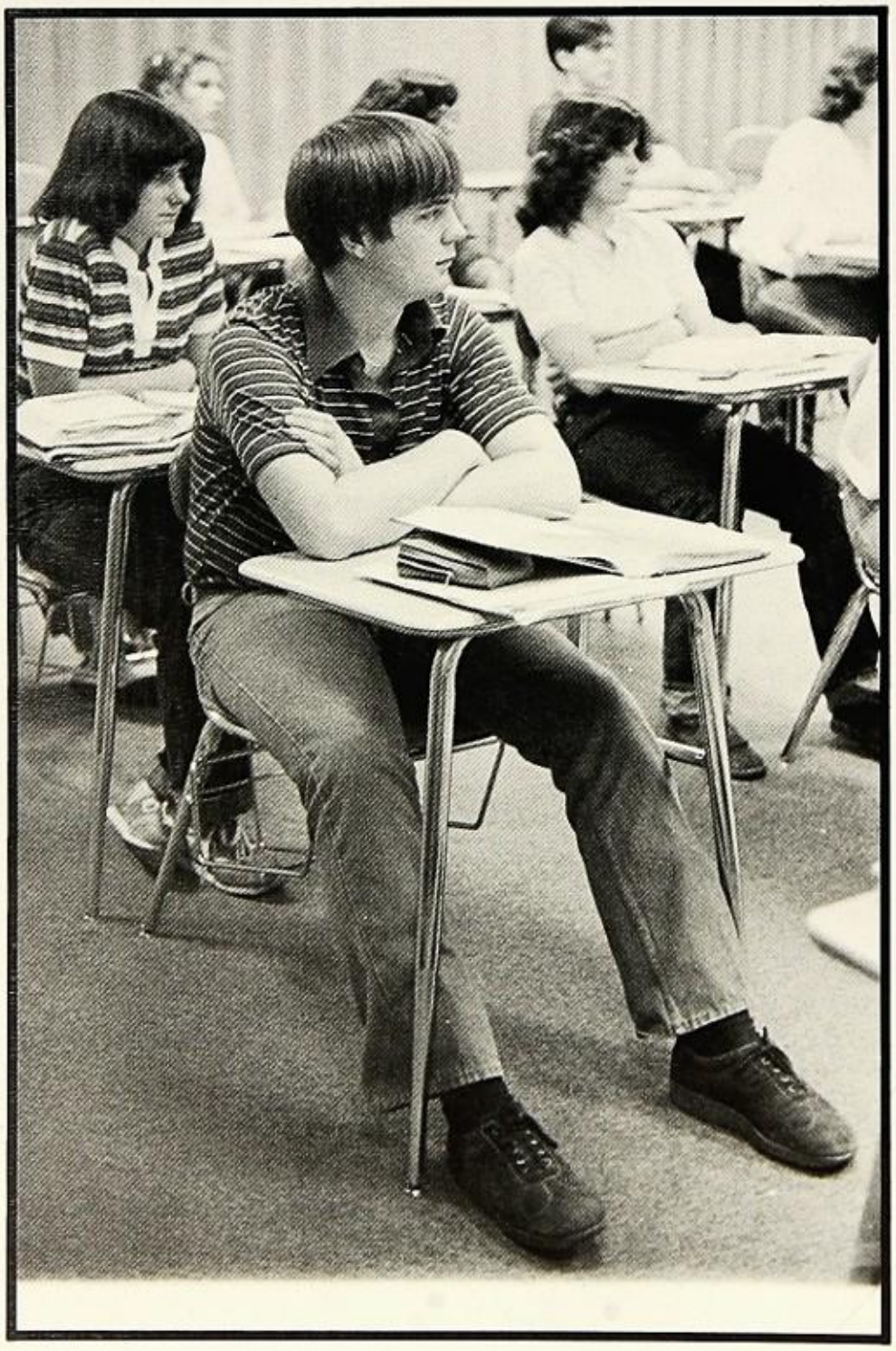
"Many times I just want to slam down my pencil and just forget all numbers, lines, etc.," said Cheryl Crellin, Algebra II student. "But Mr. Tripp keeps me hanging right in there."

"This year somehow seemed more complicated," commented Julie Dian, Algebra II student. "But I guess each year gets more and more complicated. Without the special attention, we would all have a rough time making it through."

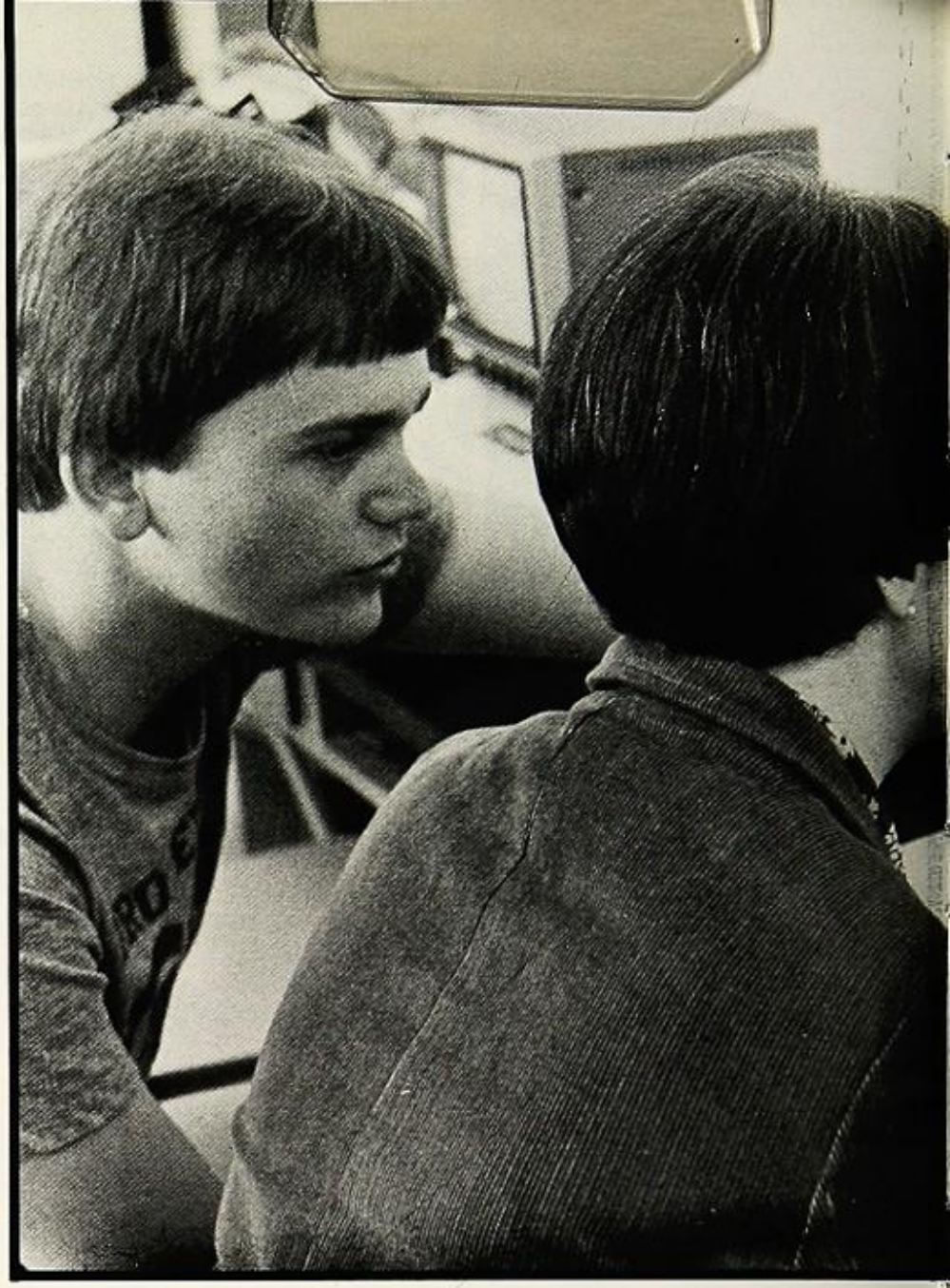
Special attention — that's the key point in the Math Department's tough teaching strategy. Tough math courses like Geometry I, Algebra I and Algebra II were loaded to their fullest with eager students willing and ready to learn new math methods.

"Special attention is needed for each student, and we try and give that to each student," said Mr. Ted Waters, geometry teacher. "That is the only way the kids are going to learn adequately."

"I can't believe I'm making it through the year," said Algebra II student Juli Mossburg.

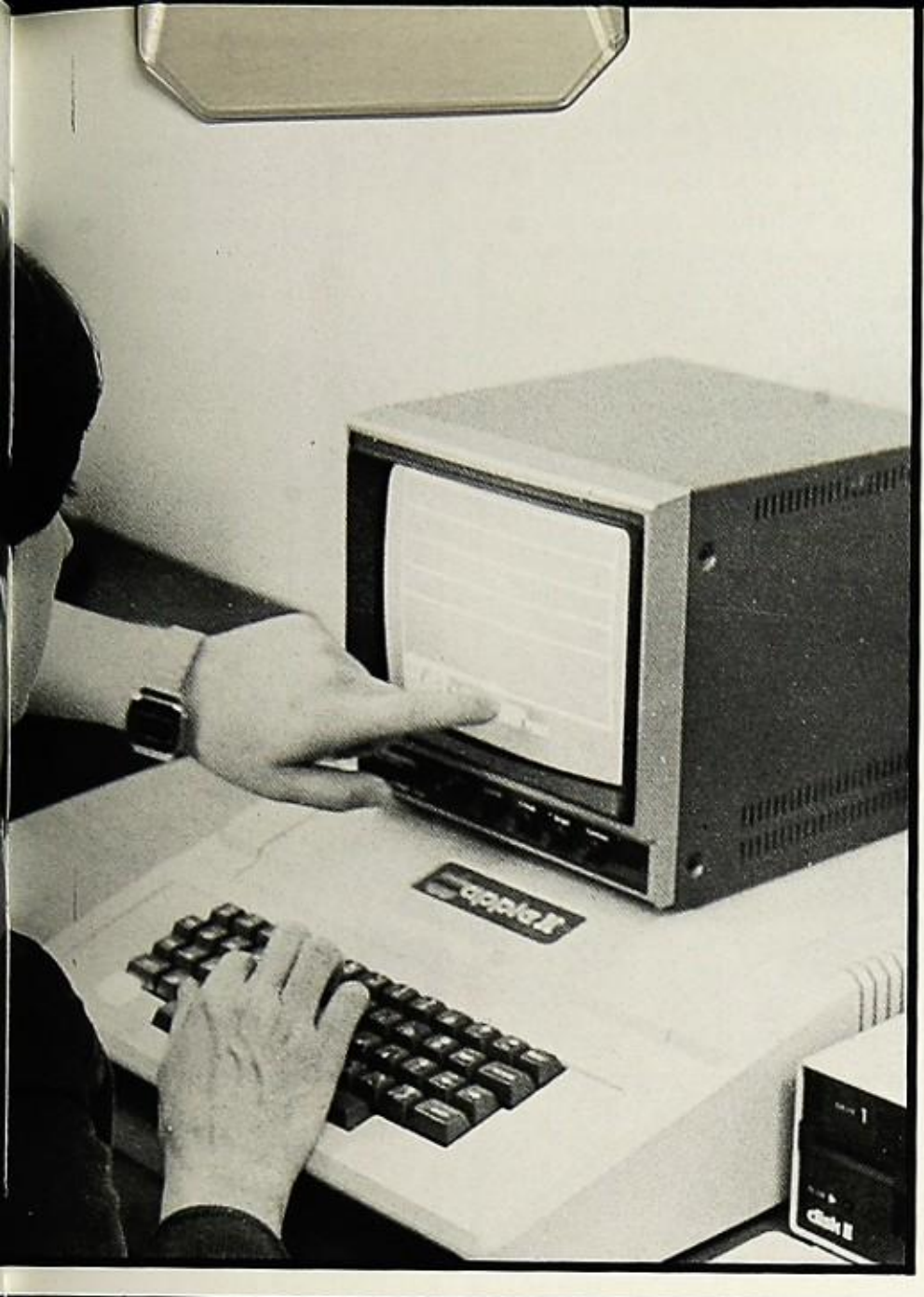


Arm-over-arm concentration. Doug Newhouse listens carefully during a review session in Algebra II.



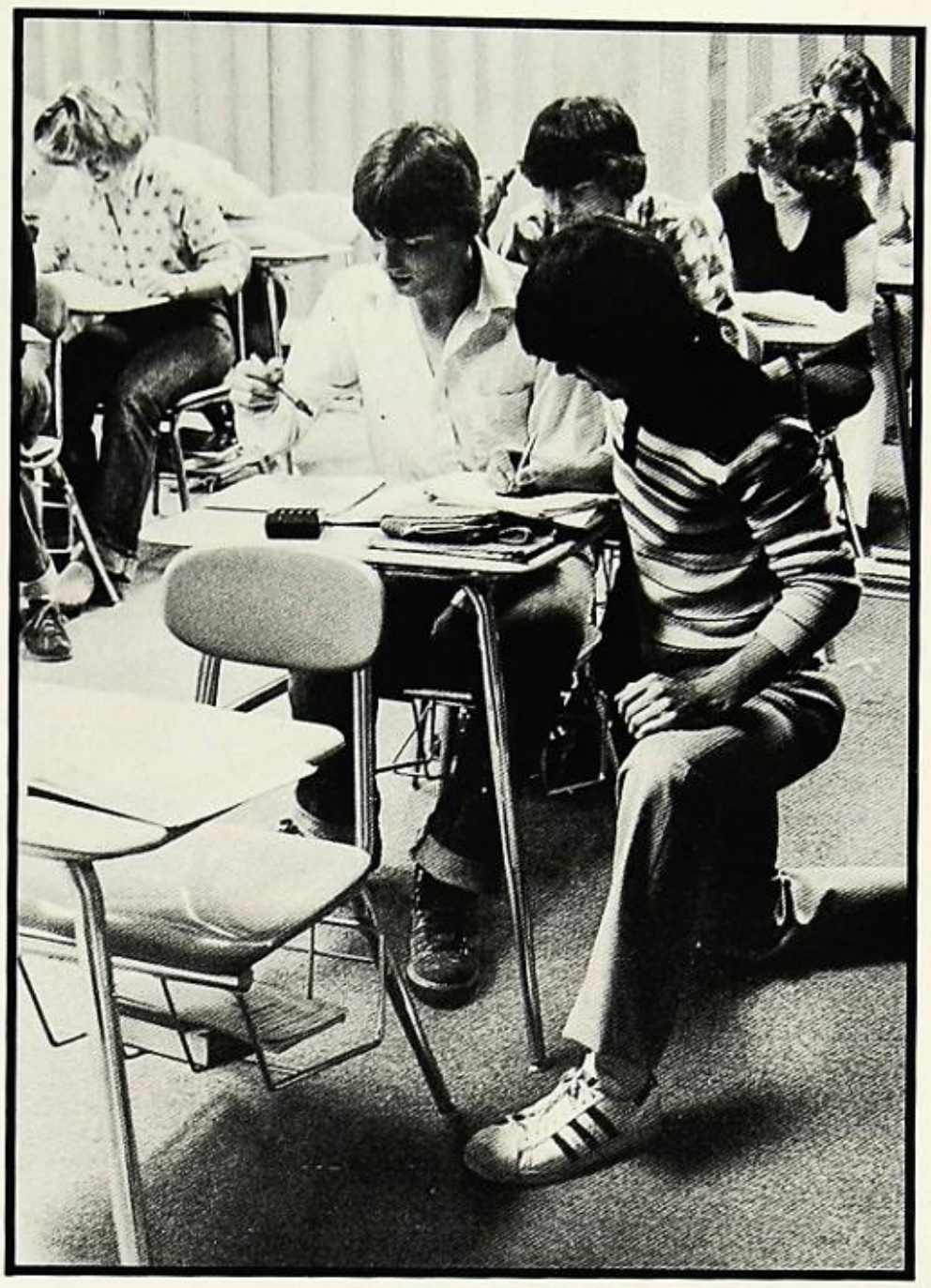
Leaning while learning. Amy Grabner thinks quietly to herself while working on an Algebra II formula.

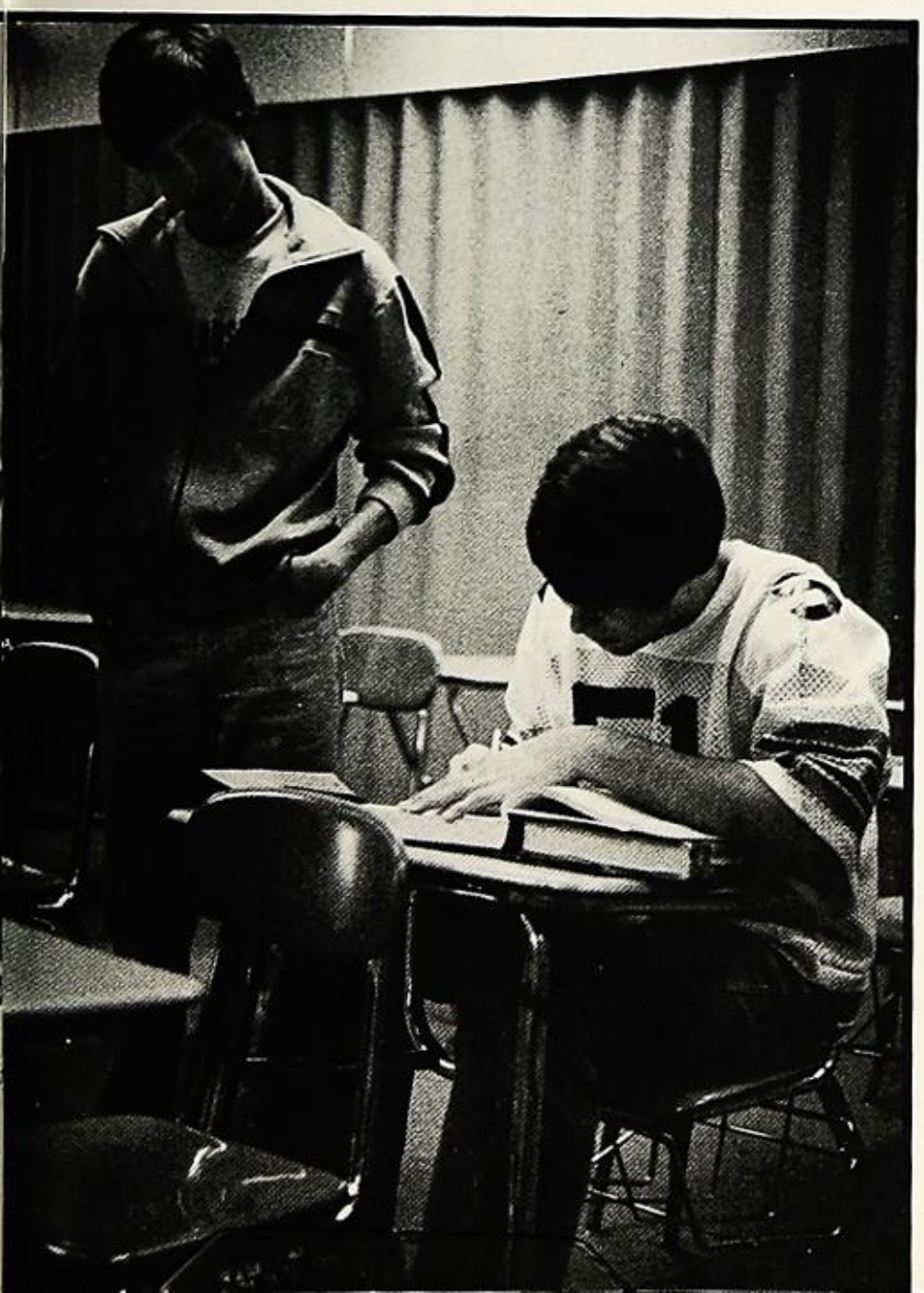
Last-minute answers. Brent Dafforn and Kent Somers compare answers to a tough math problem.

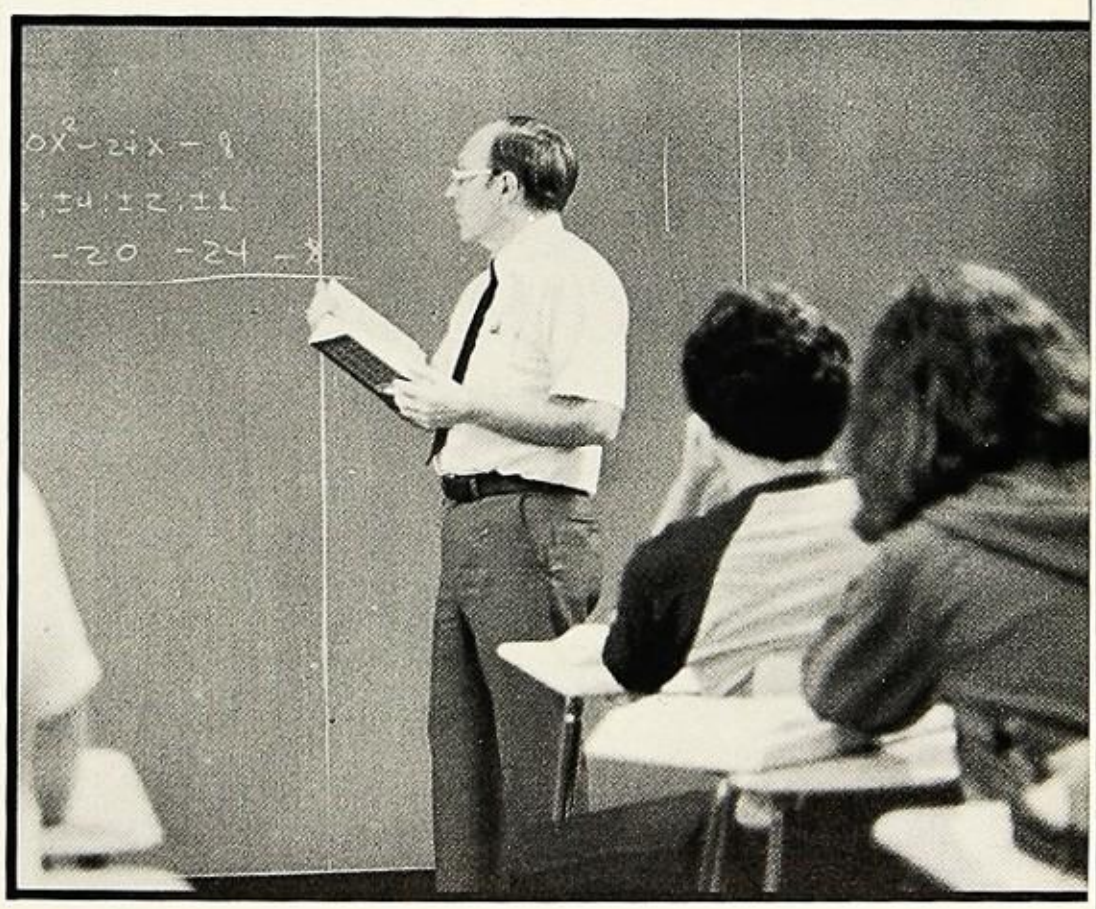


A mathematic mom. Scott Scherer instructs Mrs. Judy Miller on Parent-Student Exchange Day.

Kneeling down for an answer. Scott Hoffacker is in the process of helping Randy Frauhiger with his math.







B&B. Bookwork and boardwork are what Mr. Tripp uses to teach his Algebra II students.

Do ads fool us?

"This is definitely Pepsi."

"No, you're wrong. This is RC and that one's Coke."

"Well, I believe that this is Elf because it tastes the worst. That cup has to be Pepsi."

The General Business class had a blind taste test to see which cola they preferred above all, without all the glamorous advertising.

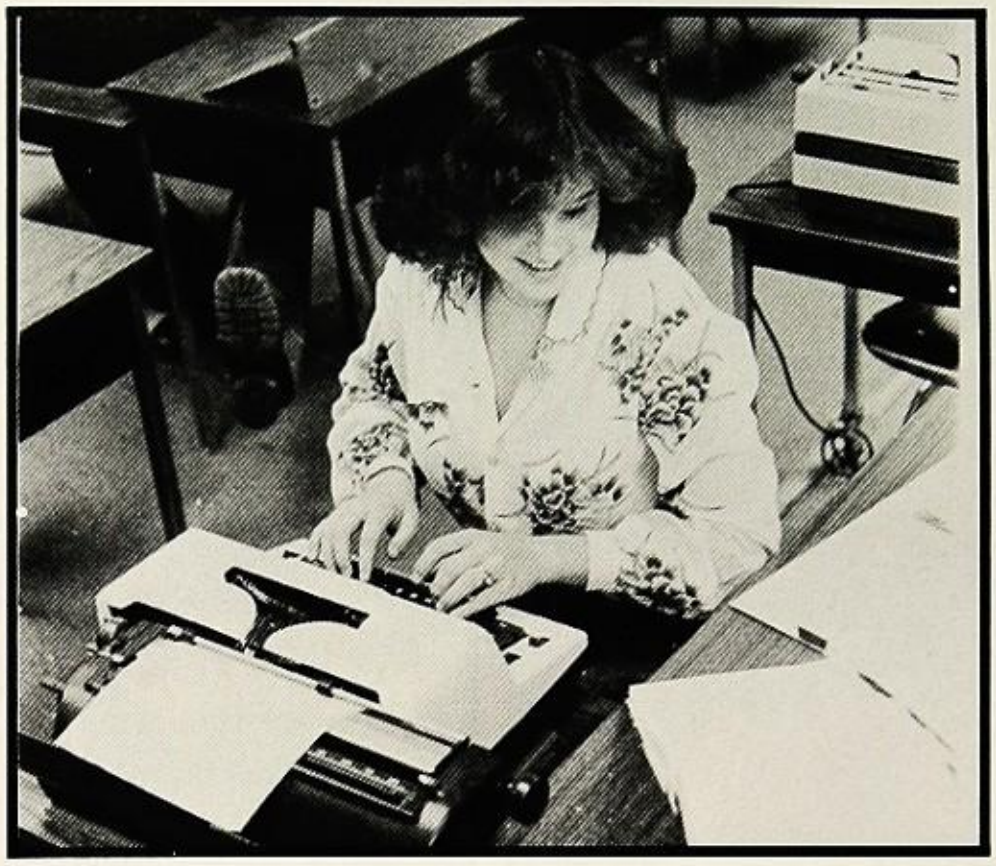
RC, Coke, Pepsi and Elf cola were the samples tasted for this blind test. The majority chose Elf cola as their favorite. Mr. Ralph Thiele, General Business teacher, said, "It was funny because they didn't realize at the time what they had chosen. They all thought they had chosen the well-known, well-advertised Pepsi brand. Realizing later that they had picked Elf as the best-tasting brand was a great surprise!"

Mr. Steve Lehman said, "We proved what we had set out to prove, and as a whole, the class decided that advertising does influence your choice of a product."

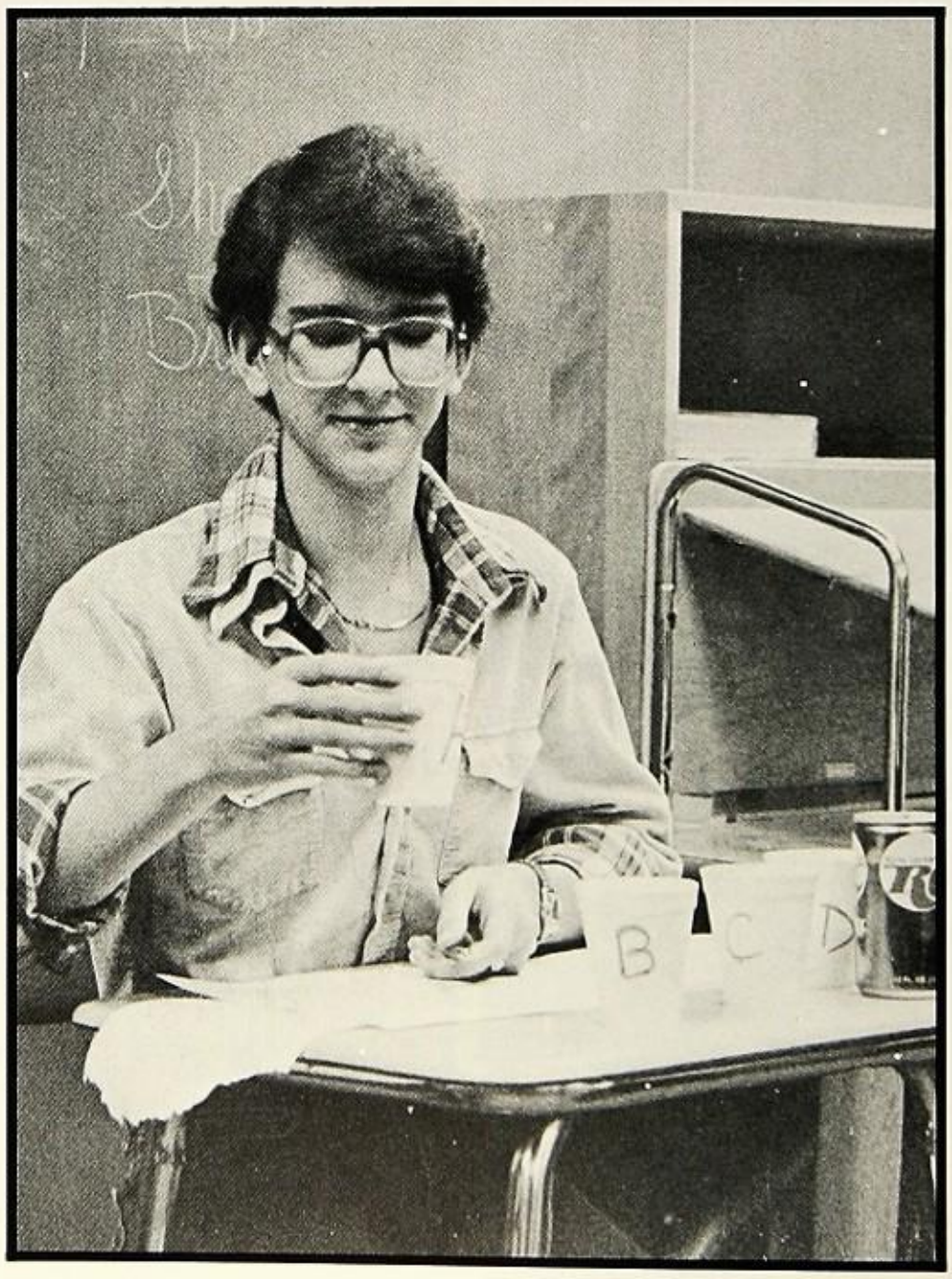
The taste test turned out to be very successful and at the same time was interesting and fun-filled.

This is just one example of the practical activities provided in classes offered by the Business Department.

Frantic fingers. Dana Sadler quickly types her "due in" assignment from yesterday.



Courtroom business. On a field trip at the courthouse in Fort Wayne are Kent Faus, Mr. Thiele, Ron Double, Becky Mankey, Rhonda Levitz, Jeffrey Gordon, Kevin Ingle, Russ Roberts, and Kent Sonnenberg.



Me and my RC. Scot Herndon unknowingly samples RC cola during a General Business taste test.

Lecturing Lehman. Mr. Lehman explains the night's assignment to his General Business students.

Newspaper knowledge. General Business students browse through the paper to compare ad prices.

Creation corner. Mr. Prentice stands among unusual artwork done by his students.

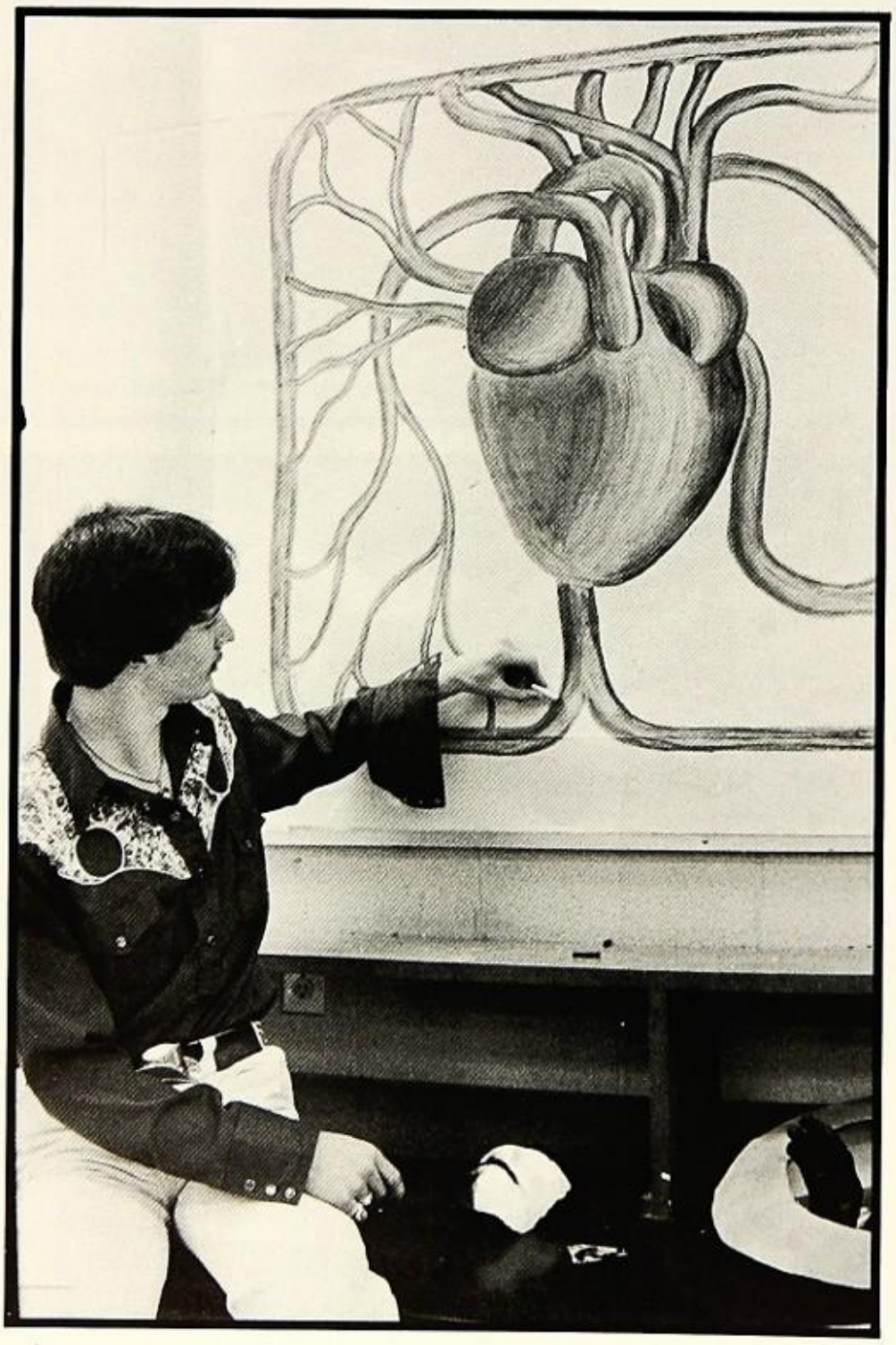
Molding masks

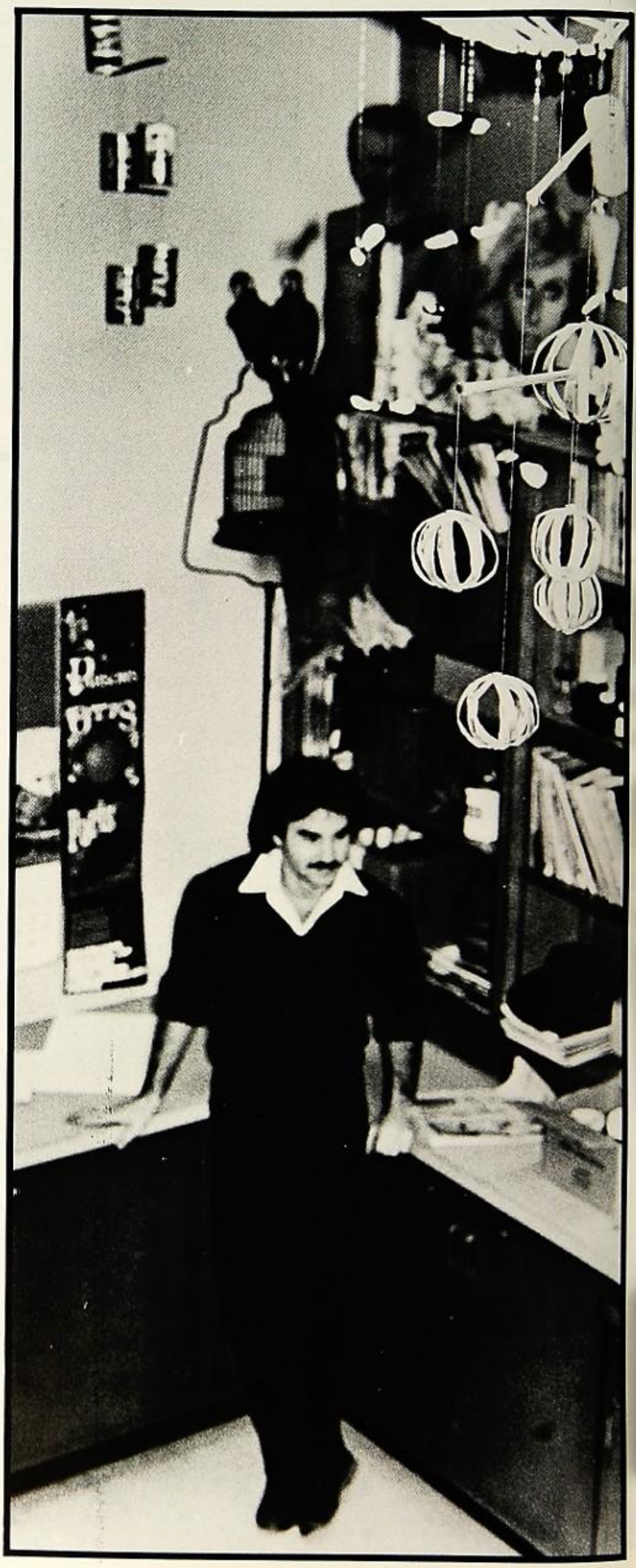
Plastered faces, hanging mobiles, and slate sketchings were some of the creative works Mr. Prentice's art students made this past year.

One of the many crafts that held students' interest was the molding of a person's face into a mask.

Gigi Delgado commented, "It was the first year I made a mold of my face and it really was an experience. It was fun to see others with their faces plastered too."

Mr. Prentice commented on how things went this year: "My third year of teaching has added more of what the first two years brought: more understanding, more enjoyment, and more junk for the art room."

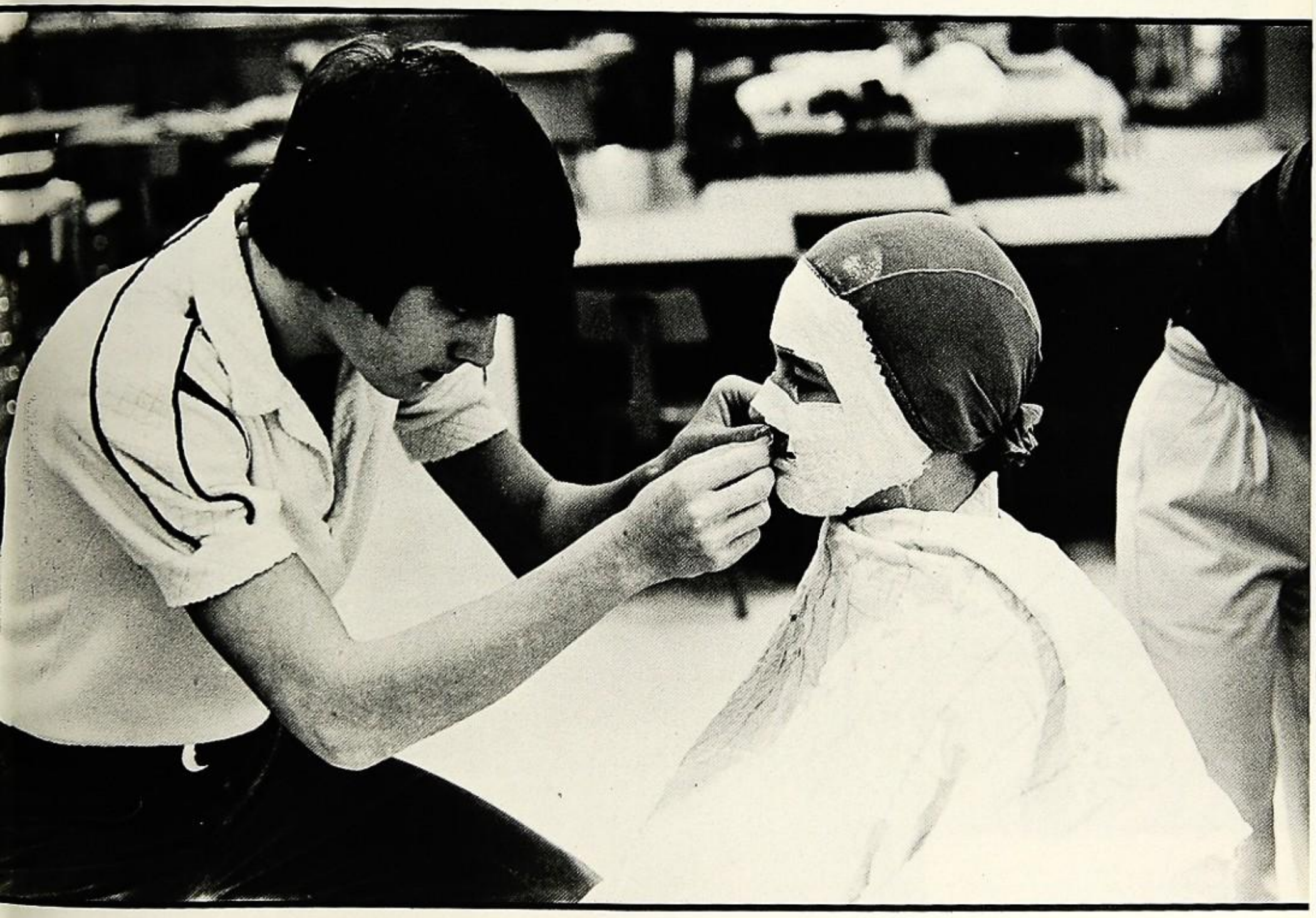




Heart at work. Stacy Schoeff puts finishing touches on his valentine bulletin board decoration for February.

Incognito. Gigi Delgado displays her plaster life cast.

Mike and Marilyn Monroe. Mike Yaney uses Marilyn's "head and shoulders" for his Art II project.



The return of Frankenstein? No, Brent Dafforn is creating a new face for Stacy Schoeff in Art III.

Makin' & bakin'

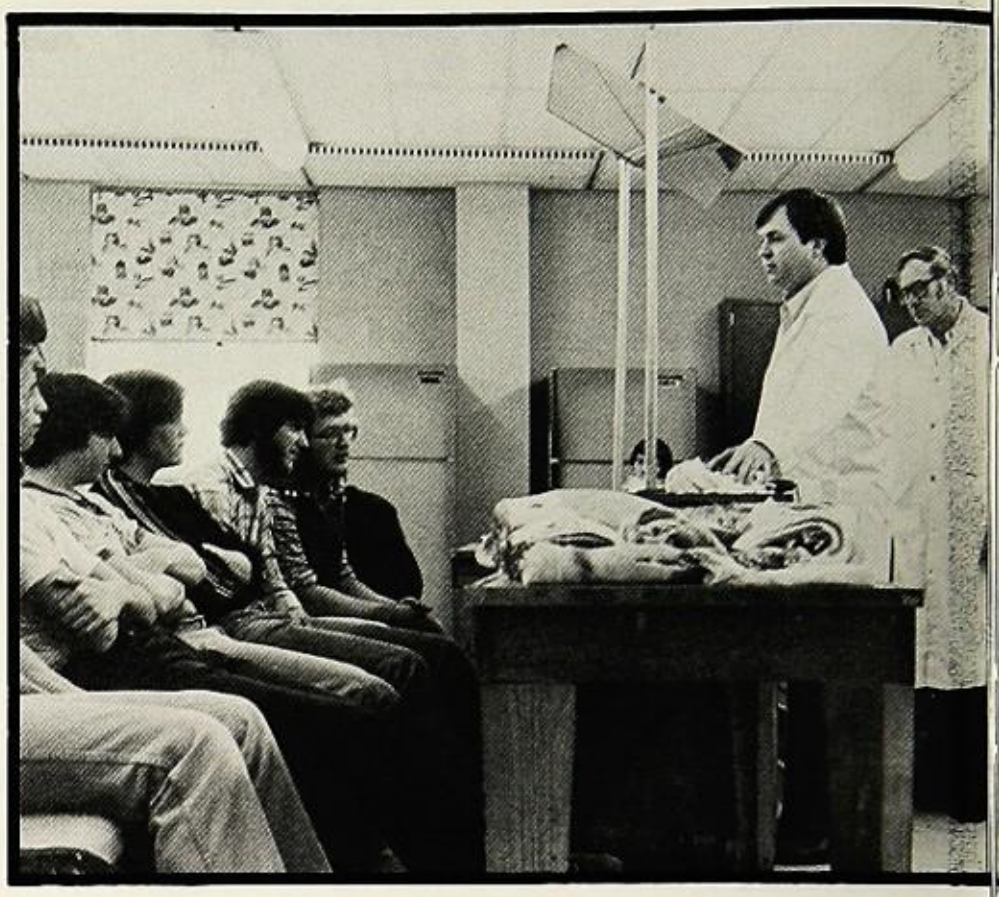
First he grasped the knife and cut a leg off. Then he sliced through the ribs. Next he severed a shoulder. Afterward, he took a hacksaw to the bones.

Sound like a scene from *Terror Train?* Relax. These "knifings" took place in the home ec. kitchen as part of a pig-butchering demonstration, one of the highlights of the Vocations Department this year. Another major activity was the making of designs and printing them on T-shirts.

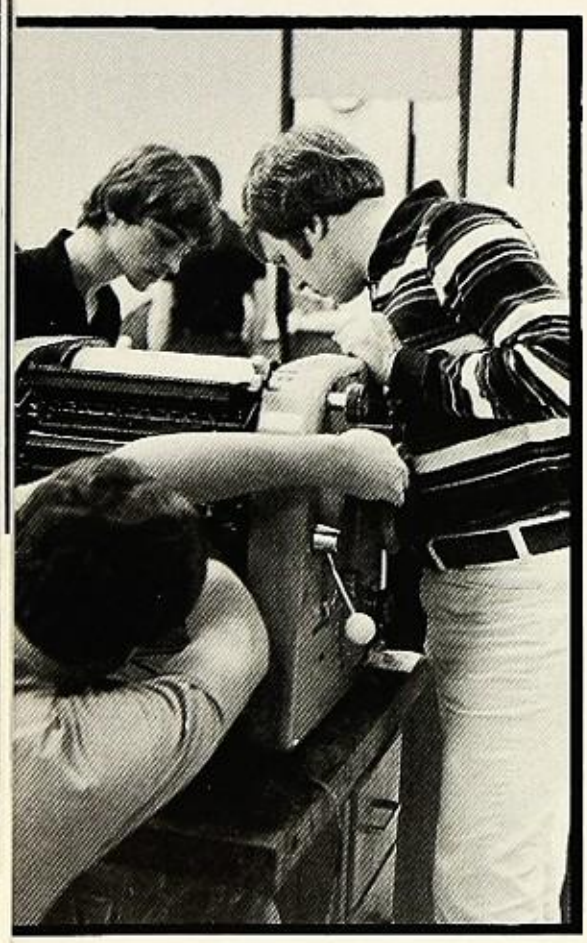
With the help of Mr. Jake Fluke, a local farmer, and Mr. John Ball, the demonstrator, the cutting of the pig was a complete success. A long, sharp knife was used to slice the pig in half horizontally for a clear view of the pork inside. Mr. Ball slowly and carefully cut and lifted the parts of the pig out to show the students.

Mrs. Hamilton, home ec. teacher, said, "I was greatly surprised at how interested the kids were. The boys especially were attentive when Mr. Ball separated the parts."

Home Ec. III student Laurie Ferguson said, "It was quite helpful because you got to see where the parts that you eat are located."



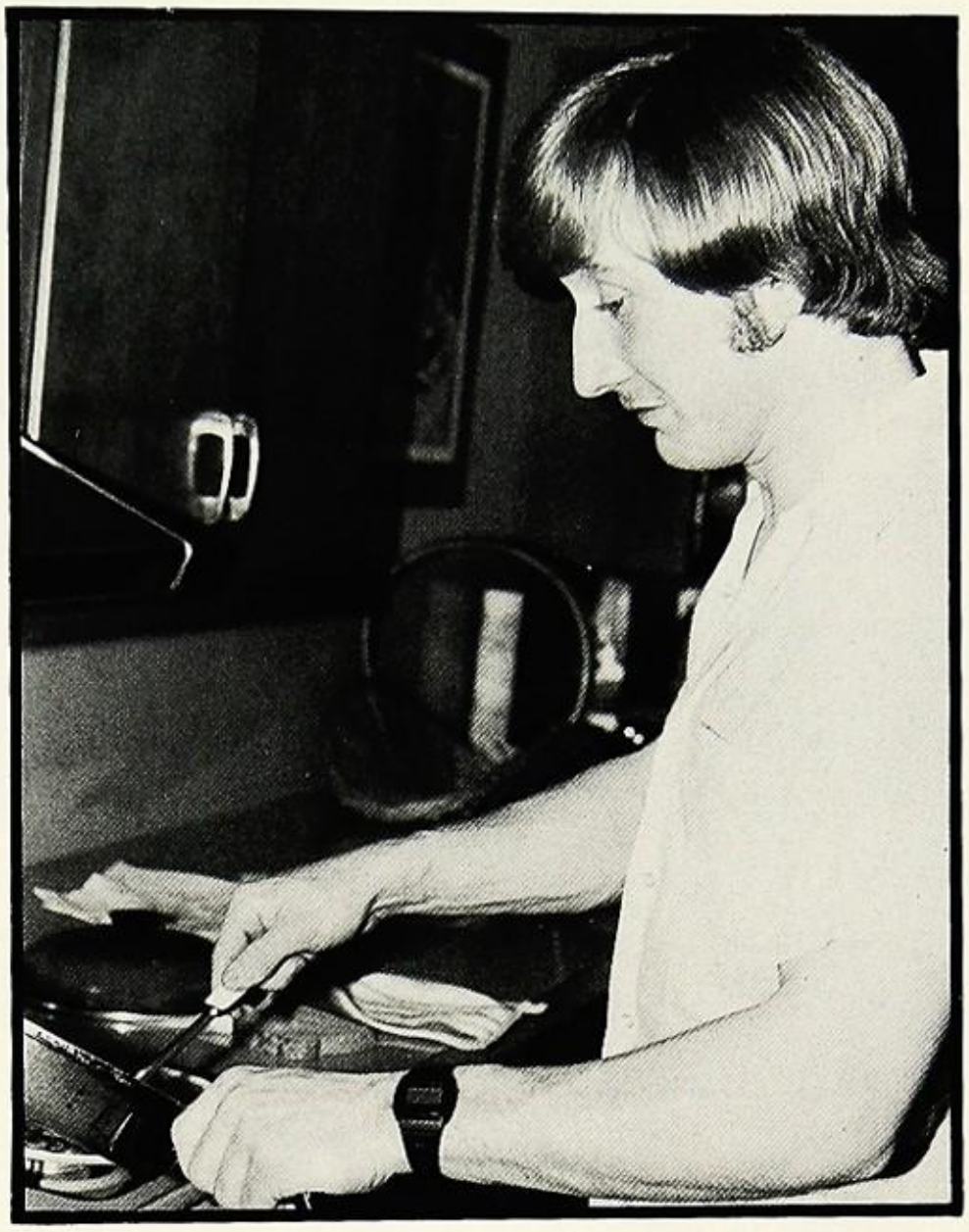
Going hog wild. Mr. Ball and Mr. Fluke show Kent Sonnenberg, Desmond Ladig, Bruce Bumgarner, and Bill Coty how to cut a pig properly during one of two demonstrations in the home ec. kitchen.

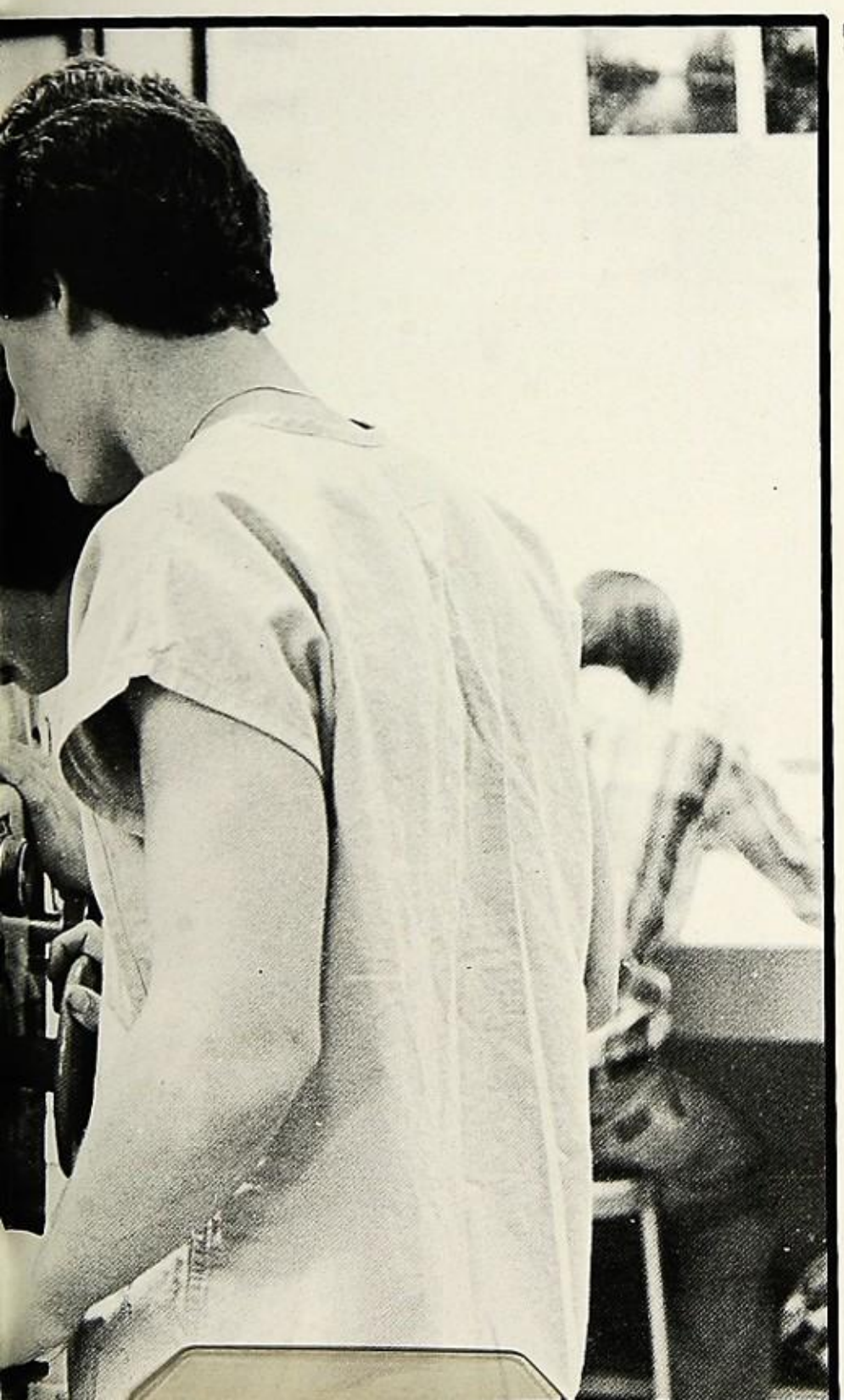


Group effort. Mr. Cobble, Scott DeHoff, and Greg Steele give the printing press a workout.

Fancy foods. Jill Gerber and Cathy Cook delight in selecting delicious hors d'oeuvres in Home Ec. III.

Skillet-skilled. Jeff Ehrsam demonstrates his ability to fry eggs in Senior Home Ec.

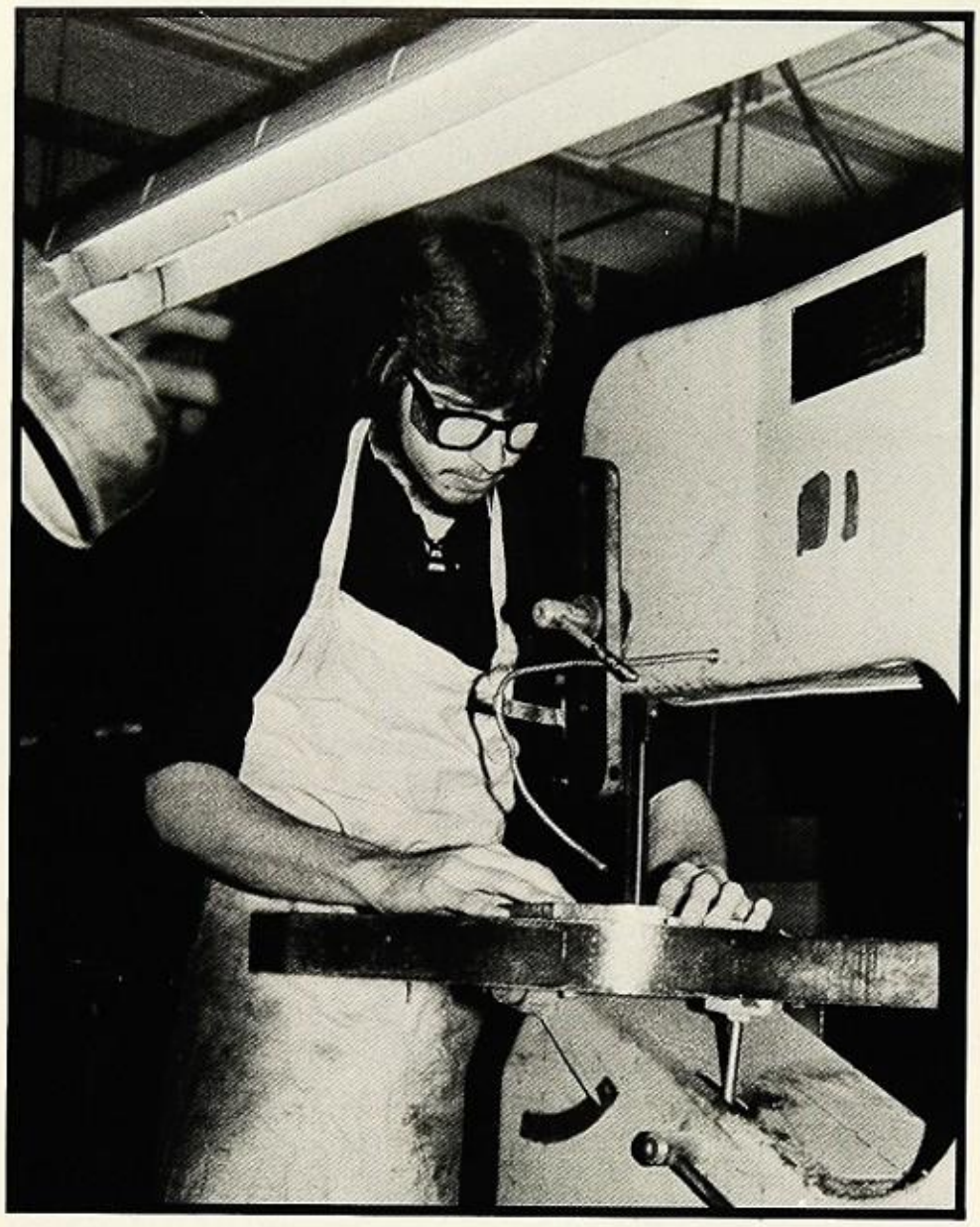




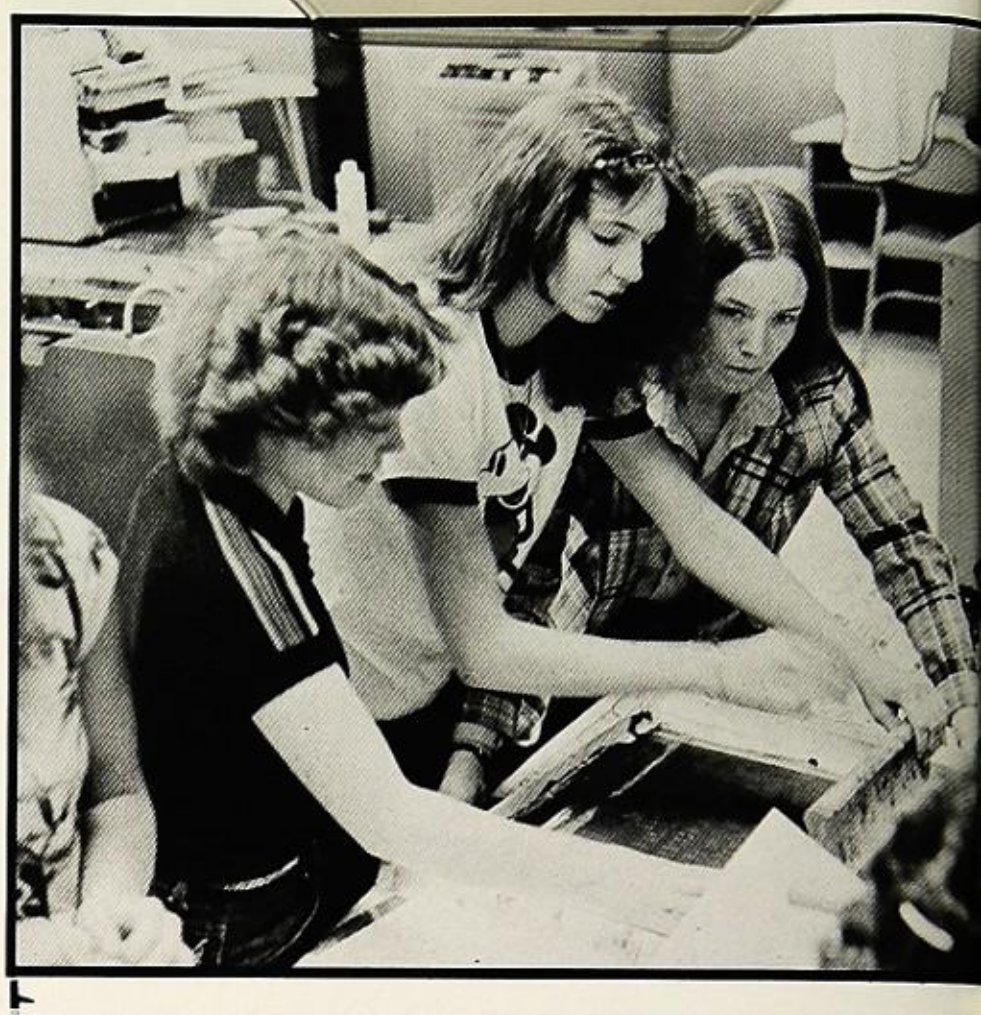
Printing-press people. Kerry Gerber, Greg Steele, Mike Gray, and Craig Plummer make sure the blanket on the press gets cleaned before printing more stationery.

Light tables enable Doug Steffen to prepare a negative for masking while Ron Leman and Ed Thompson work on other projects.

Creative cutting. Stu Miller carves his project to perfection in his metals class at vocational school.



Up for grabs. Shelley Price, Veronica Teague, and Kim Kaufman work together to make a special T-shirt.



Learnin' & earnin'

Many activities and projects go on in vocations, but printing your own design on the T-shirt of your choice added an extra spark to Graphic Arts I in the Vocational Department.

Mr. Jim Cobble commented, "I thought that the kids enjoyed it very much."

"It was a fun thing to do," said Angie Roy. "I liked being able to print anything I wanted to go on the shirts."

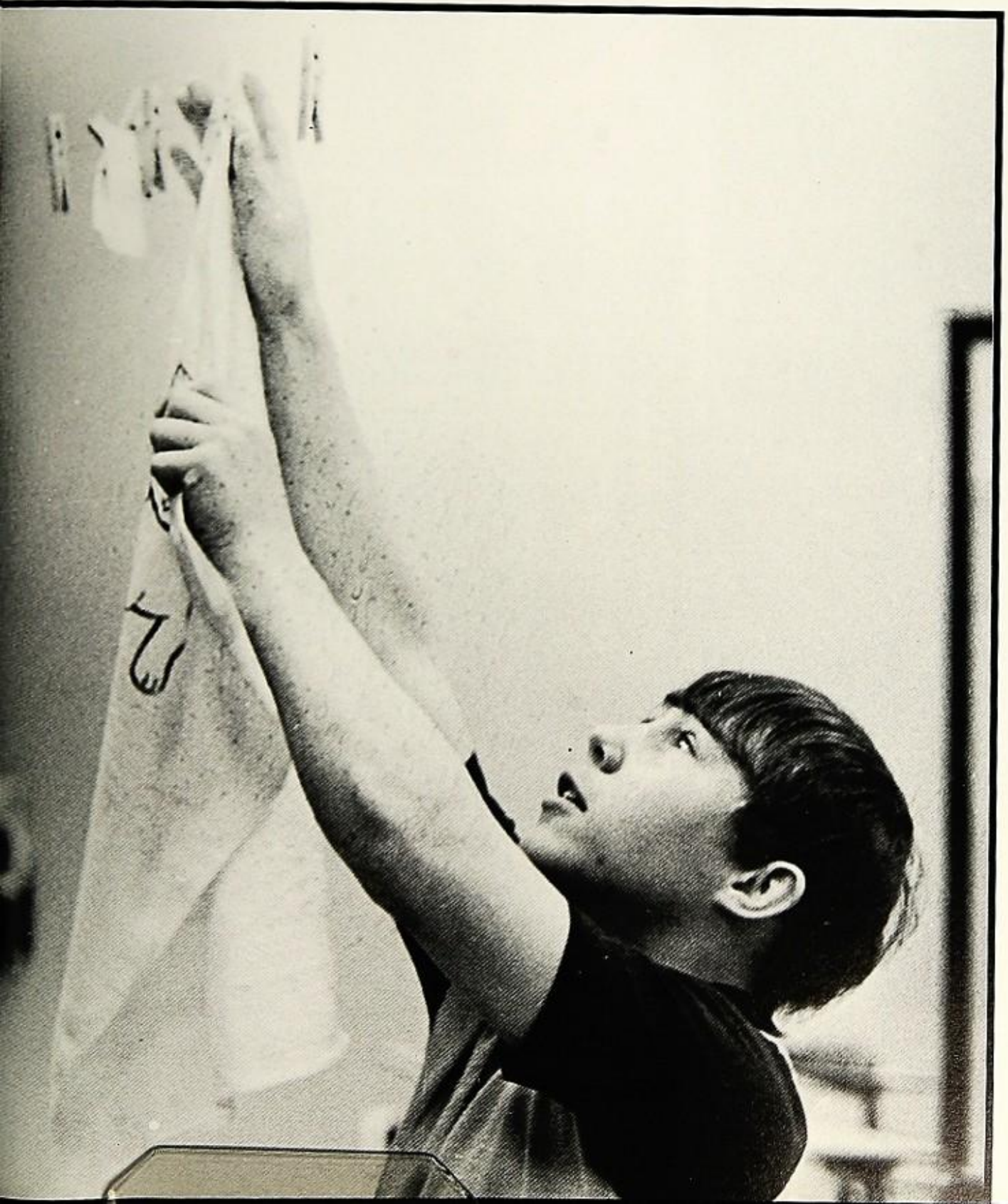
The procedure was a simple one, according to Mr. Cobble. "You first prepare a layout of image and cut out film in the areas you want to be printed. Then you put film on a screen, mask any area that you do not want printed, and put whatever you want underneath. Next pull it across a tray with a squeegee, remove the screen, hang it up to dry, and you're done."

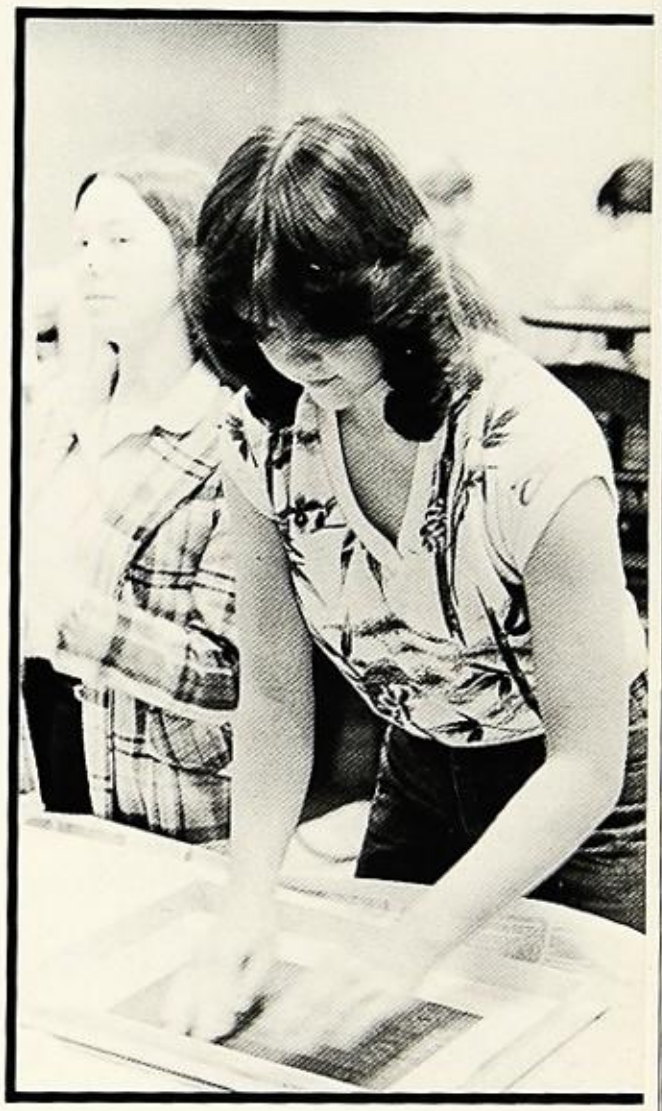
Craig Plummer said, "It's fun to create things on your own for a class instead of having a particular assignment made. This way your very own design comes out in your own kind of style."

"One reason why the kids like to do this type of thing is that there is such a wide variety," explained Mr. Cobble.

Headed for success. Trudy Jahn designs a new style for the mannequin as she prepares for her career.

Under the big top. Mike Rohr sneaks a peak to find out what the trouble with the car is.





Helpful hands. Jennifer Scheckel dips her paper design in liquid to print on a T-shirt later.

Hang-ups. Kraig Biberstein and Truques Polderman pin up the towels they designed to dry.

P.E. takes a scuba dive

Sit-ups, push-ups, bending and reaching exercises, running, and swimming were some of the fine attractions in the exciting P.E. classes.

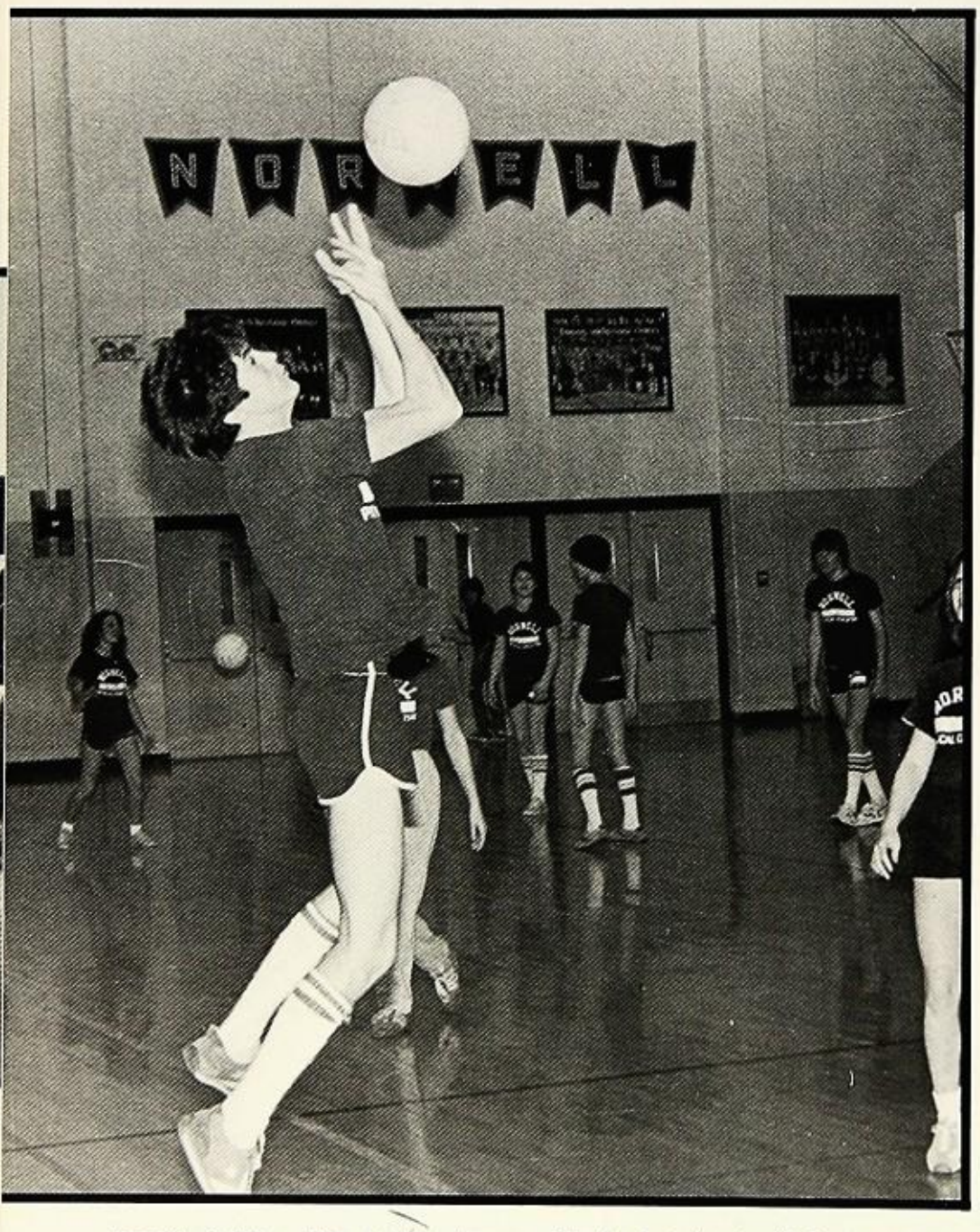
One of the main activities this year was scuba diving. With the help of Mr. Dennis Chambers, the swimming coach, and Mr. Gary Scott, the P.E. classes used the pool in the middle school for a few days of scuba diving fun.

"Breathe with rhythm and slowly descend" was a phrase often used by the diving instructor. He also told the class to relax and enjoy this venture so it would come freely and naturally.

Mr. Scott commented, "Scuba diving seemed to fit in so perfectly with the kids. We had been looking for something to make the class more interesting, and that meant looking for something that students don't do too often. Scuba diving was right up this alley. It seemed to break up the monotony, and the kids loved it."

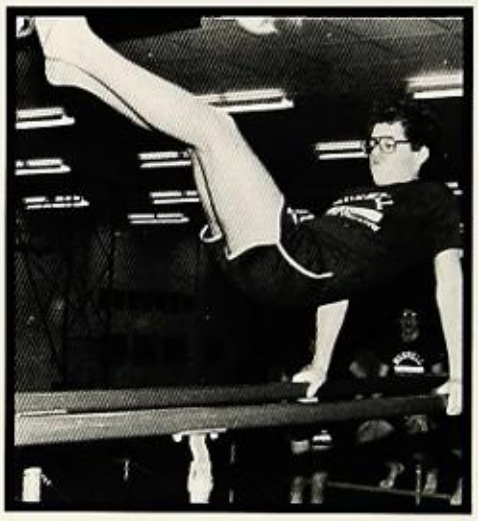
The students did like it. Juli Mossburg said, "The water was cold and the tanks were heavy, but it was all worth it from the fun that resulted."

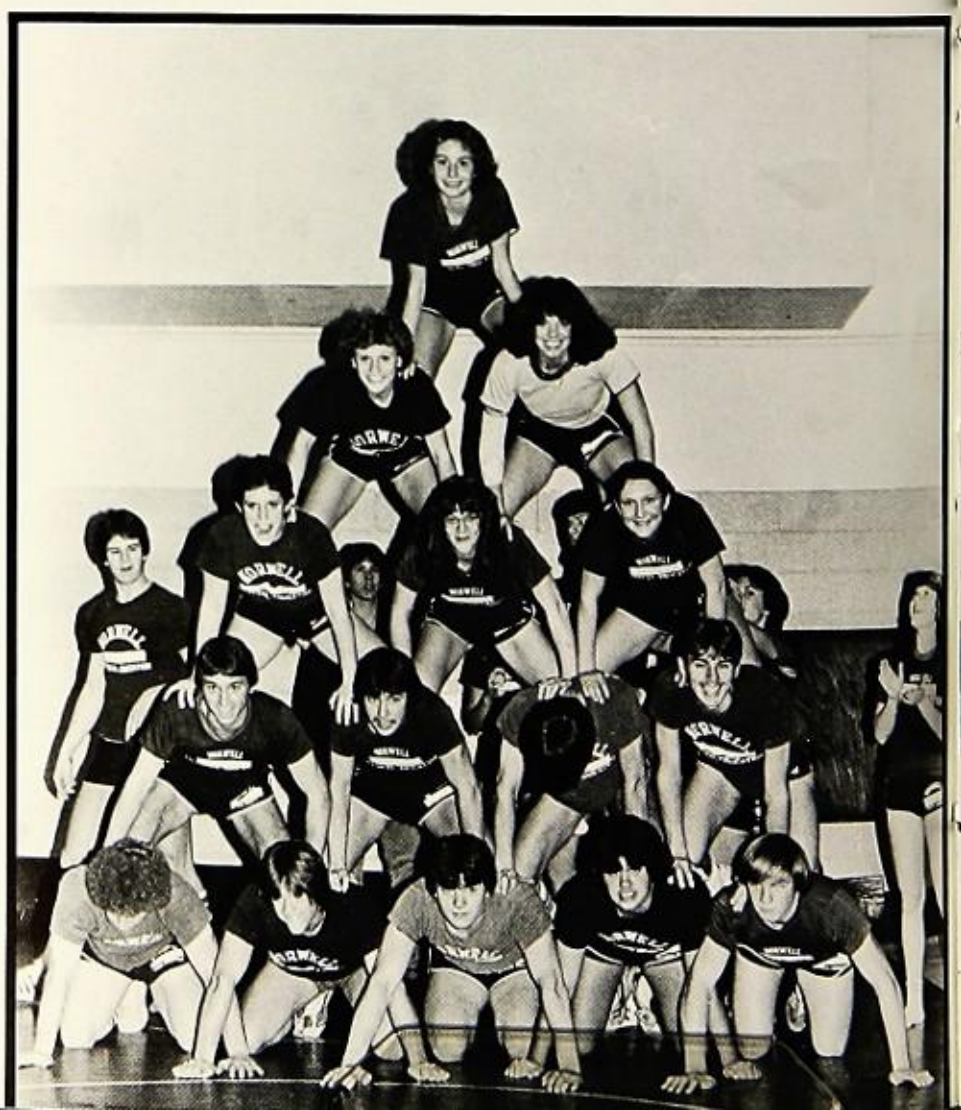
Scuba Scuba Doo! Students in Theory and Life Sports listen for their next scuba instructions.



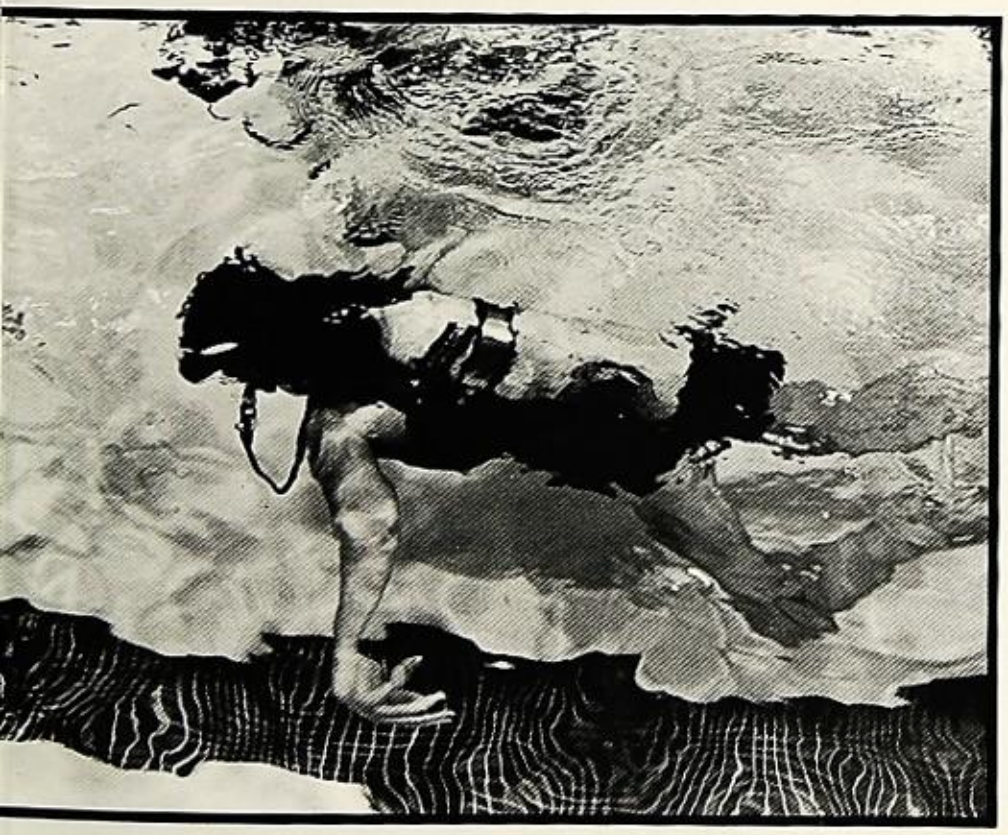
Leapin' LaMar. Mike LaMar jumps into action for a volleyball return in P.E. I.

Back to the bars. Swinging on the parallel bars, Kurt Renner proves that P.E. I gives the body an uplift.

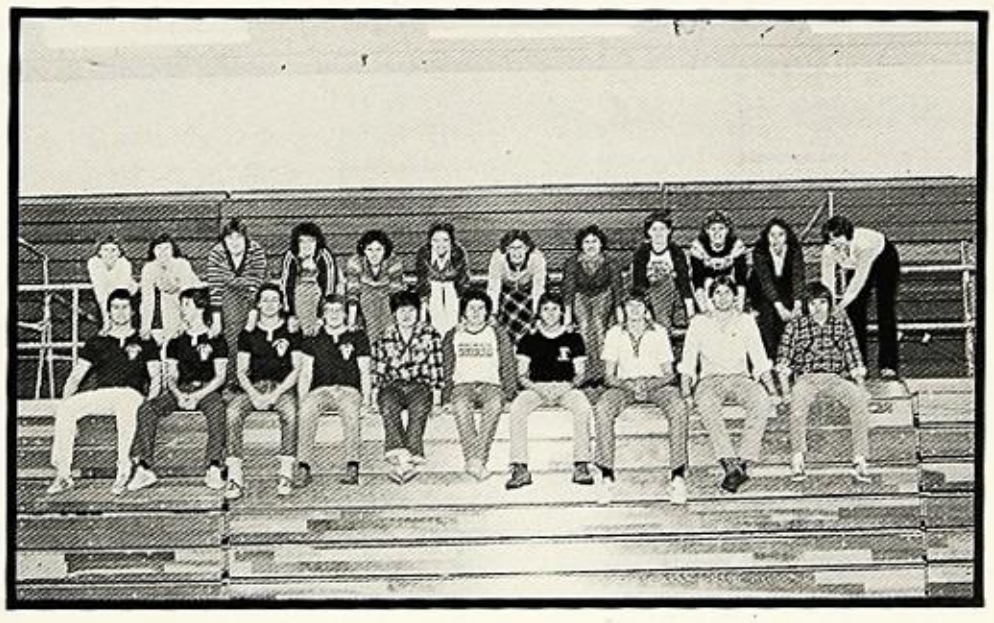




Stack of students. Jill Gerber, Becky Mankey, Kelly Jehl, Juli Mossburg, Sheri Reeves, Billie Miller, Rick Hoopingarner, Kraig Biberstein, Rod Hurraw, Darren Bryan, Fred Perrin, Desmond Ladig, Paul Vavrek, Kevin Murray, and Cliff McCune build a human pyramid for Theory and Life Sports. Inspecting the pyramid are Keith Woodward, Jeff Carnes, Ken Sparks, Deb Metzger, and Lori Van Meter.



Underwater understanding. Lori Van Meter uses the middle school pool to get the ideas of life in "the deep."



P.E. Cadets. FRONT ROW: Rick Weikel, Jeff Carnes, Craig Plummer, Greg Van Meter, Scott DeHoff, Chip Mann, Rick Hoopingarner, Ken Sparks, Jerry Kumfer, Rob Graham. BACK ROW: Becky Mankey, Billi Frauhiger, Angela Brindle, Tommie Johnson, Jill Sollberger, Rhonda Levitz, Kristie Barkley, Jeannie Stauffer, Cami Crane, Lynda McAfee, Ronda Bauermeister, Susan Nahrwold.

Takin' care of business. ~~Julie~~ Morris boxes in a yearbook ad with border tape.

Wavelength Staff. FRONT ROW: Jerry Wittwer, Mark Osborn (editor), Joni Crapser, Angie Binkley, Veronica Teague. BACK ROW: Nancy Borne, Don Bentz, Julie James, Marcie Lacy, Kim Kaufman. NOT PICTURED: Beth Burkhart.

Getting a bird's eye view. Don Bentz straightens out the stories of his newspaper layout.

Color lasered into students' lives

Warning: Throughout the year, Norwell was frequently invaded by orange-and-black people. Their main purpose was "an attempt to tune in to the students' wavelength of thought," said their adviser, Mr. B. J. Almond.

These multicolored beings comprised the staff that published *Wavelength*, the school newspaper. The staff had numerous changes, one of these being the T-shirts they wore on sale days. The shirts were orange, with the paper's black logo printed on the front.

Before the drawbridge was lowered in late August, the staff disintegrated the *NHS Knightly News*. "The staff felt that the paper's reputation had been going downhill, and we wanted to get away from the overuse of Knight-related terms," Mr. Almond said.

Every two weeks the staff landed with a pile of papers over one arm and a change can in the other, for the paper became a biweekly production. Because of the biweekly publication, the staff put out the most issues ever: 19.

A unicycle-riding sophomore, a worm-raising freshman, and a record-spinning junior were lasered into a new column entitled "The Unusual, Unique You." This column featured a student with a unique hobby. Career and consumer columns were also added.

"Answering Service" being renamed ?"The Third Degree?," Mark Osborn's "Outstanding Editor Award," and a photo page that featured catchy captions were some of the other added features.

The spaceship the newspaper staff hid out in was a small room in the northeast section of the school called the Pub Room. The newspaper staff shared their bungalow with another breed of creatures that weren't so obvious as the newspaper staff.

The Publications class made a contribution to the student body that was "full of memories and pictures," for the Publications students were given the responsibility of probing the universe to plan "a yearbook that will look more modern than any of the past *Accolades*, not only in terms of color, but also in how it is designed," said Mr. Almond.

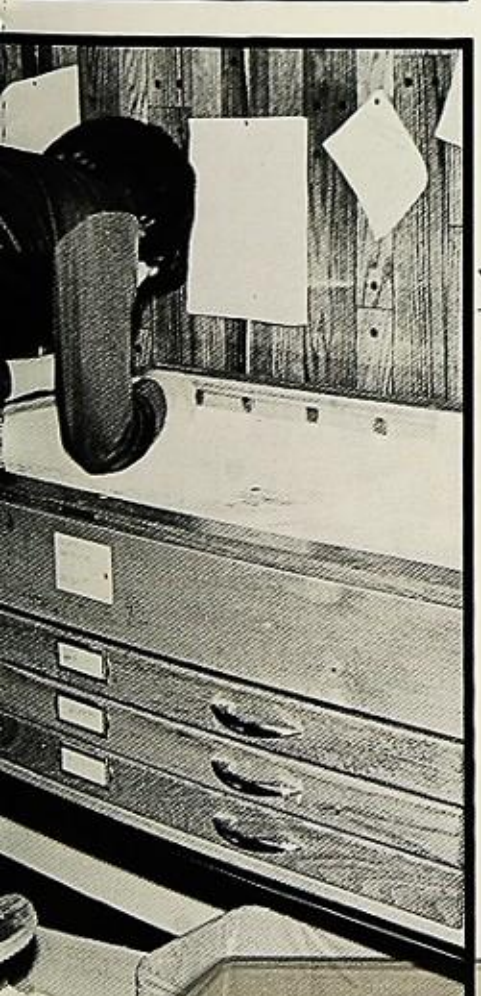
The cover was just one of the new ideas which the staff spotted the 1980-'81 *Accolade* with. "The physical appearance of the book itself will be more appealing to the eye than previous books'," he said. "Upon close inspection of the book, readers will notice the subtle graphic design."

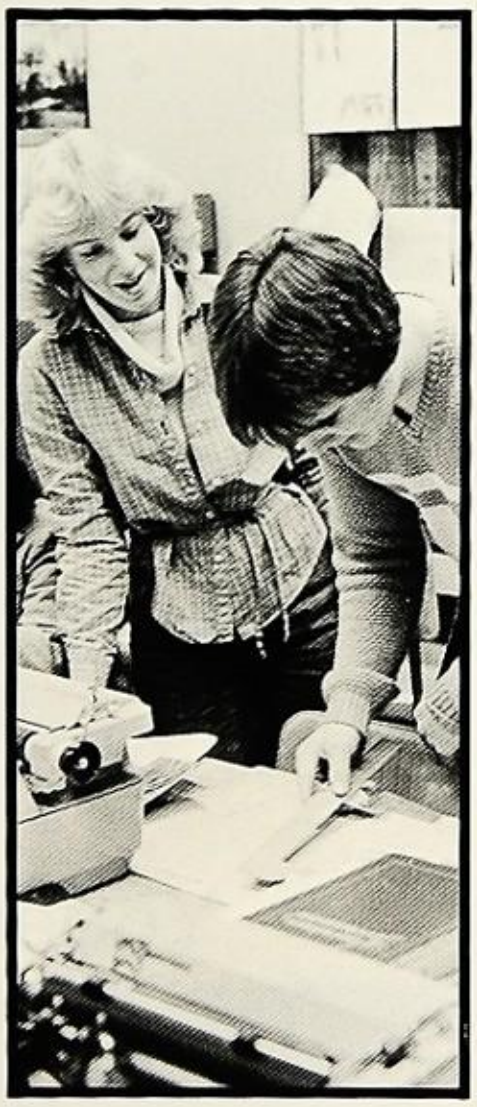
The change most students felt at first was the price increase. The usual $8.50 fee was upped to $10.50 to accommodate the increase in printing costs and the extra color.

Ideas burst into orbit early for the new *Accolade*, too. Jerry Wittiver, *Accolade* editor, treked down to Ball State University for a workshop. He returned full of fresh ideas. When he shared his ideas with the staff, they became "very optimistic and thrilled," for unlike other classes, the yearbook staff has their work published in a book that will preserve Norwell history, said Mr. Almond.

Shooting didn't occur when NHS students saw these creatures; they just read what they had to say.

Shedding a little light on the layout, *Wavelength* editor Mark Osborn and Angie Binkley put the finishing touches on their layouts before sending the paper to the Ossian Journal for printing.





Editing editor. *Accolade* editor Jerry Wittwer helps Tammy Bate crop her pictures.

Telepathic typist. Kim Kaufman takes a break from her hectic newspaper schedule.

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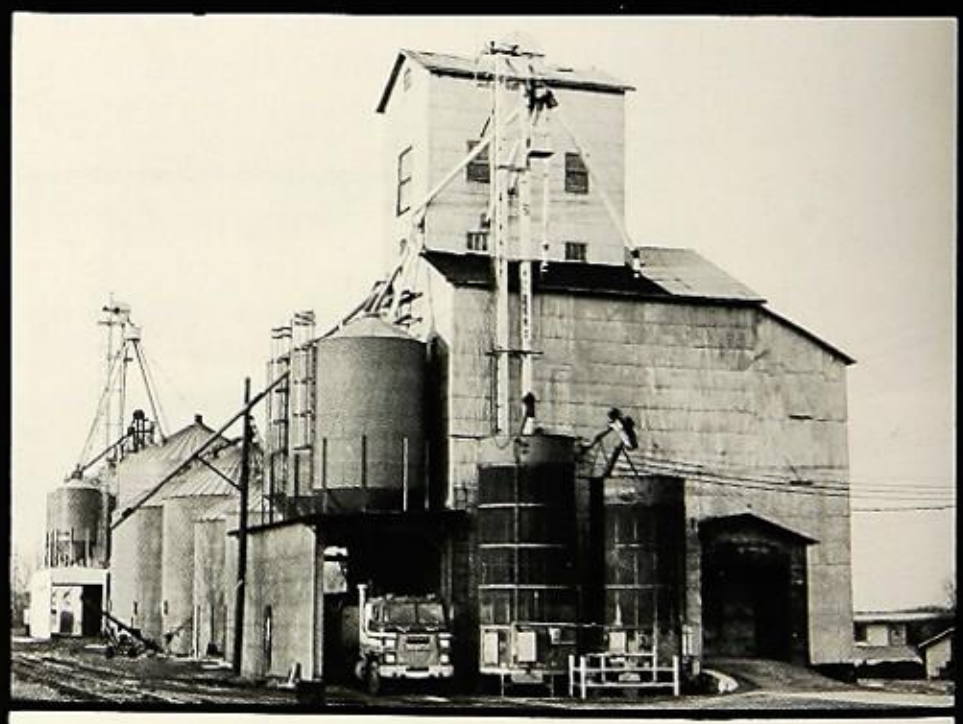

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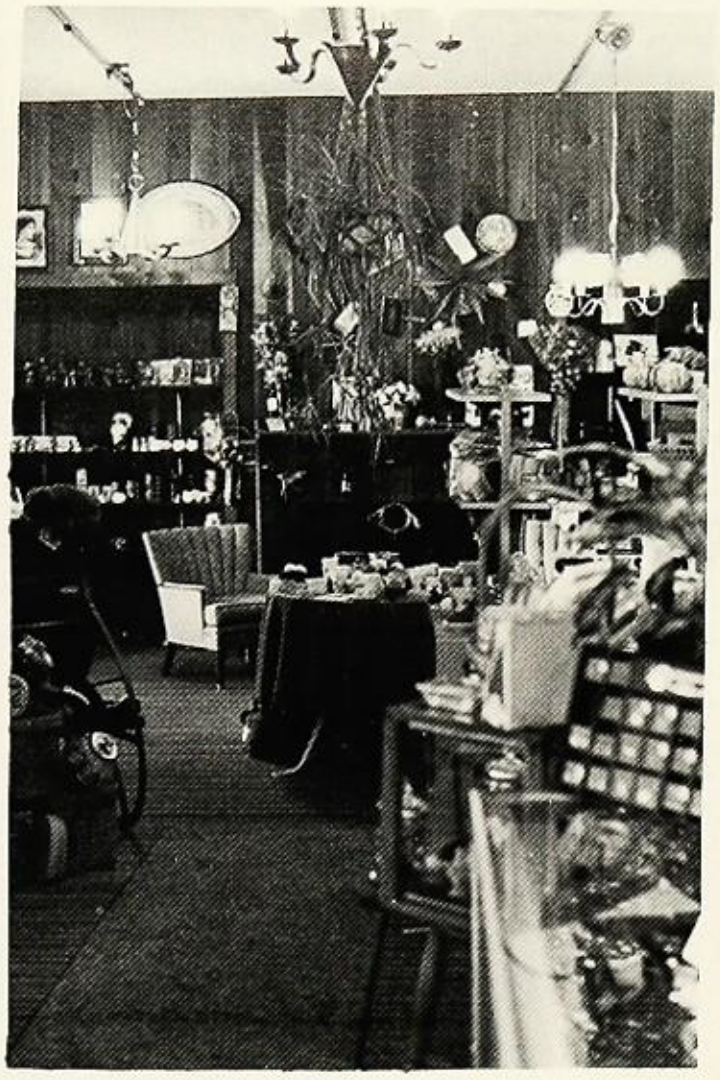

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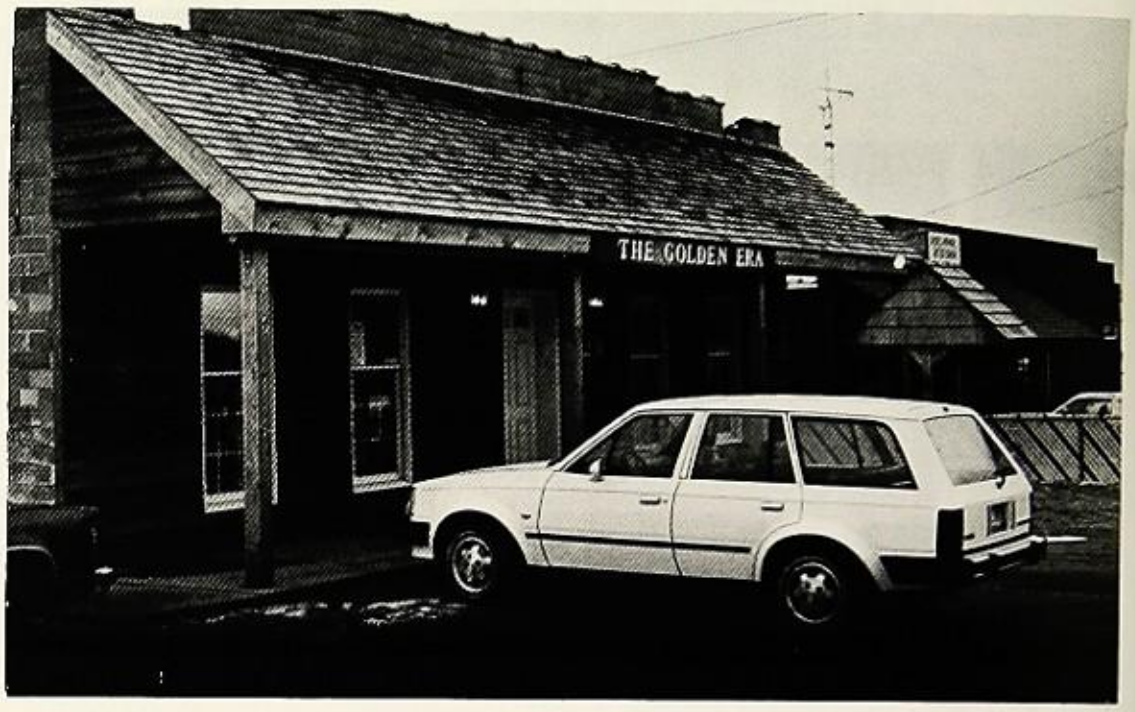

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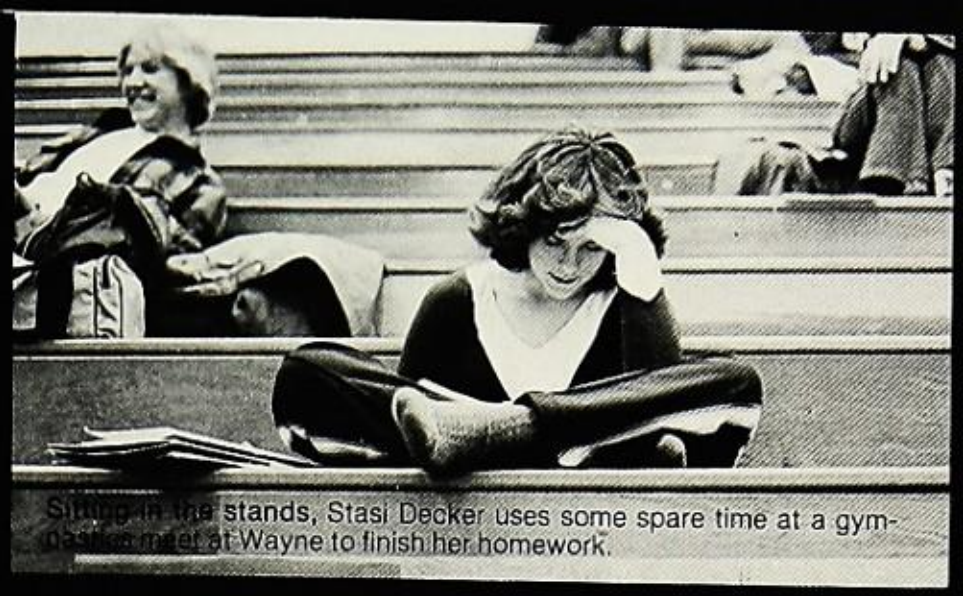

Sitting in the stands, Stasi Decker uses some spare time at a gymnastics meet at Wayne to finish her homework.

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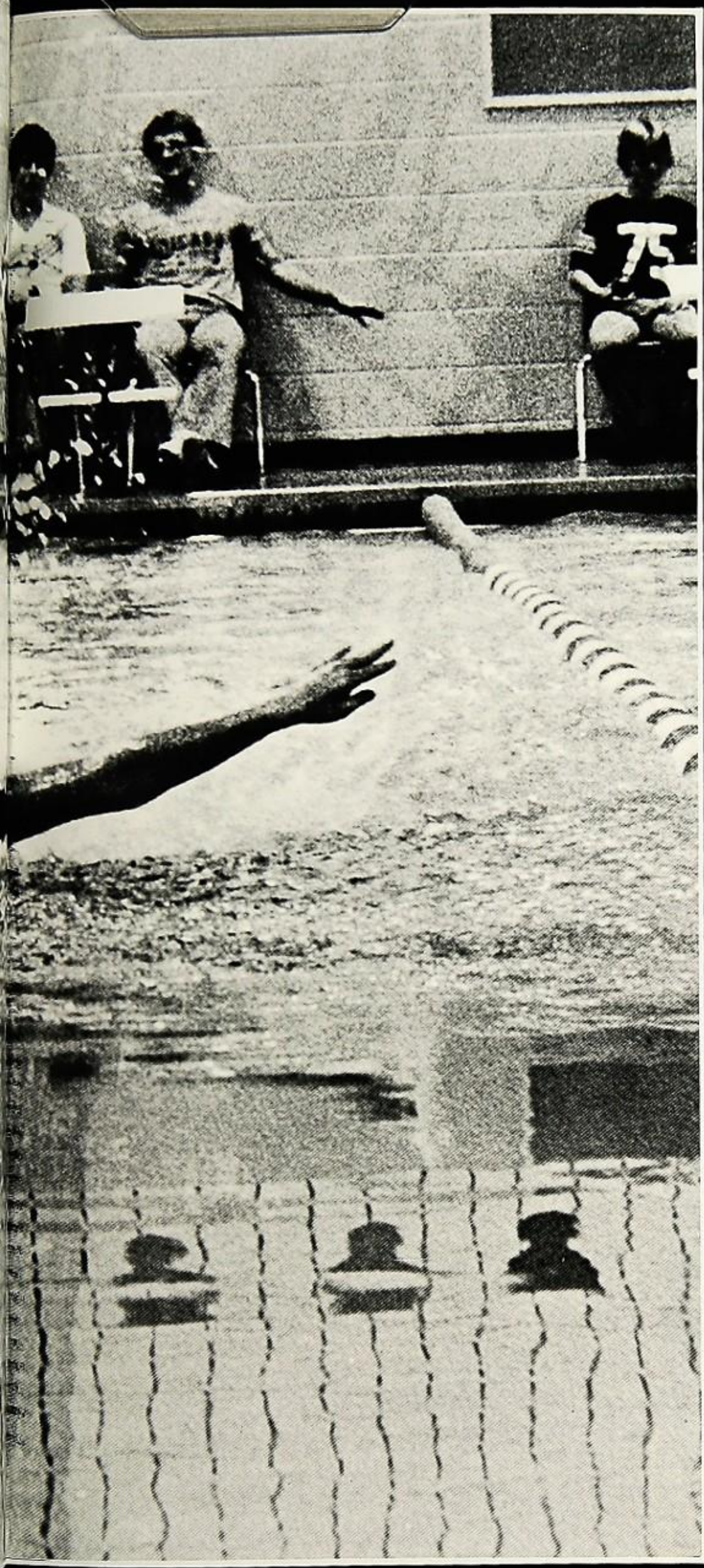


Life in the fast lane. Dana Sadler swims full throttle during first-season competition.

Doug McDowell "nose" the bloody troubles of being a wrestler as he consults Coach Cobble.

SPORTS

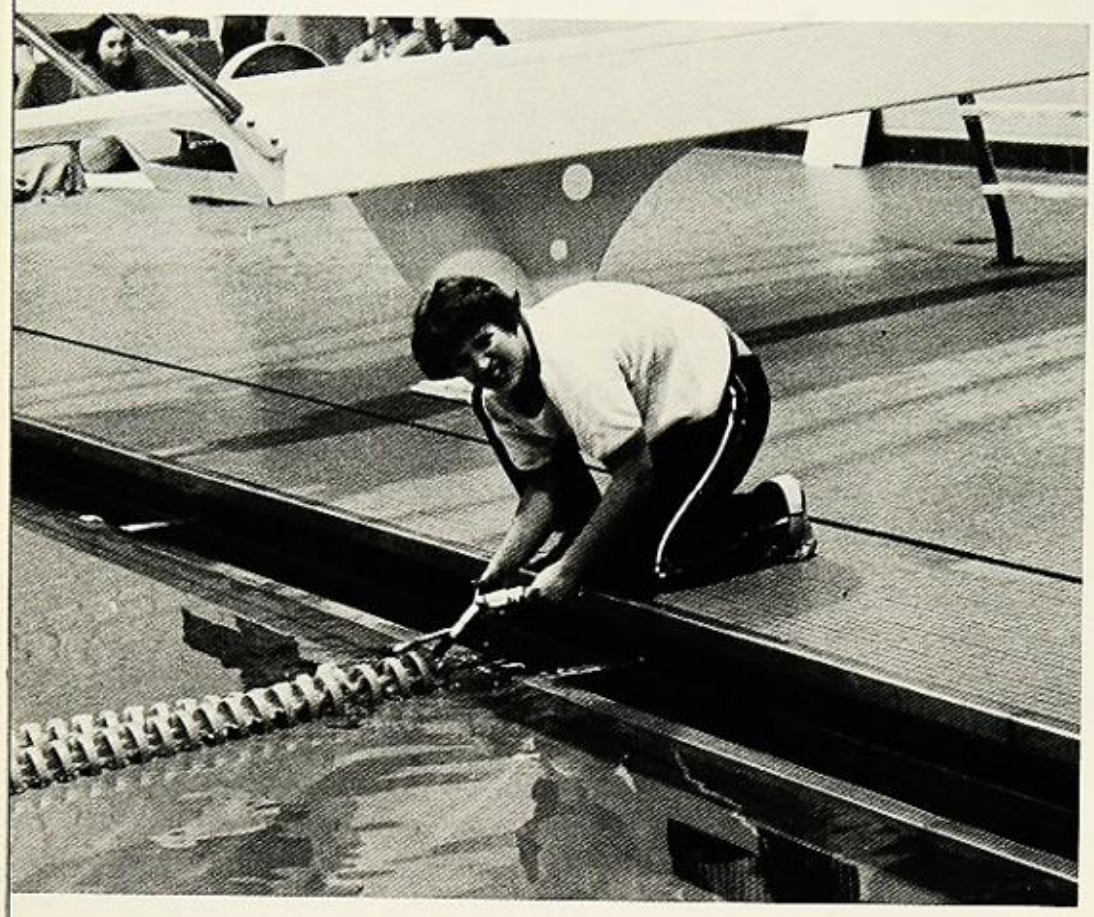
In autumn, leaves seemed to be the only thing falling faster than opposing football teams, as the Knights raked up their first undefeated season in Norwell's history.

With a change of seasons, the boys' basketball team not only drifted into yet another winning season, but also refroze its ACAC and sectional titles.

When the snow and ice melted, more winning teams sprang up. Boys' and girls' track members ran in the halls to prepare for their seasons, which they wrapped up with new records and victories.

But no matter which season it was, you could expect a majority of winning teams, because we were "traditional champions" and worked hard to keep that title. And even though we occasionally took winning for granted then, we realize now that *Knight life . . . is the best life!*

Too much work! Sophomore Amy Brane sets the lane markers after the diving competition.

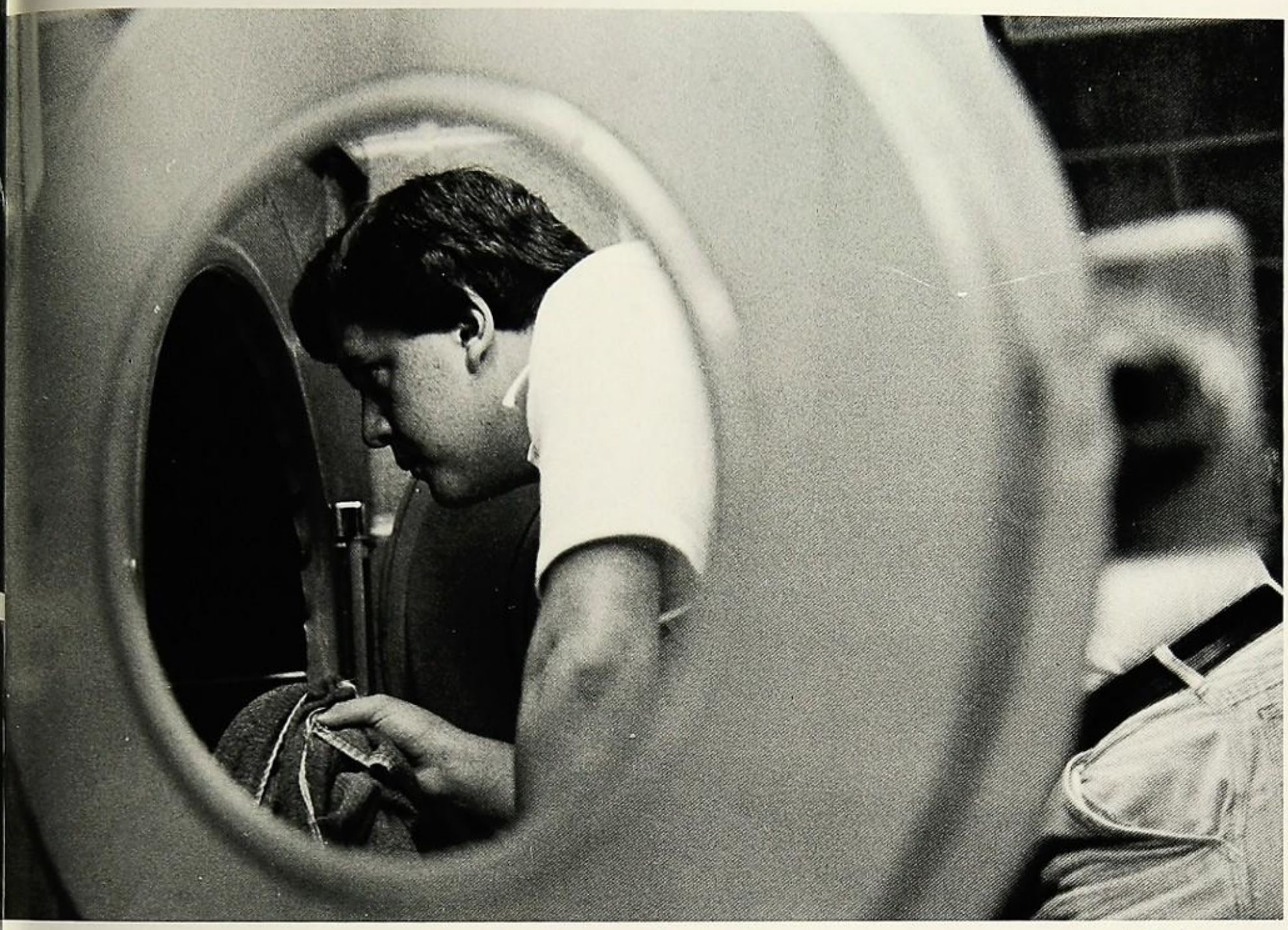


Empty? Truques Polderman fills the water bottles during summer football practice.

Track Helpers. FRONT ROW: Dee Dee Wilson, Janice Walmsley, Lani Johnson, Karen Fox, Jan Gilbert, Bonnie Bryant, Kris McBride. MIDDLE ROW: Trudie Bauermeister, Elaine Steffen, Gigi Delgado, Juli Mossburg, Denise Scheumann, Linda Ely, Lisa Osborn, Jacque Morris. BACK ROW: Julie Hedges, Ann Franke, Nancy Schuerenberg, Janice Freiburger, Susan Hudson, Bridget Henry, Dawn Garcia, Melissa Roberts, Shelley Grubb, Karen Neuenschwander. NOT PICTURED: Sheri Reeves, Kelly Jehl, Shelley Newbury, Tami Decker, Sheila Ramseyer, Christina Ramsey, Penny Ehrsam, Tammy Bate.

Managers/Statisticians. FRONT ROW: Dave Johnson, Tim Dafforn, Kent Faus, Kimmo Ruotsalainen, Mike Gray, Rick Weikel, Lisa Tarr, Paula Wolf, ReJeana Garner. MIDDLE ROW: Brian Scheumann, Tim Rohr, Kris McBride, Lisa Osborn, Jamie Lassiter, Ann Strehler, Shari Hoopingarner, Rhonda Scheckel, Dawn Werling, Jeff Ellis, Todd Bate, Joe Rice, Rick Johnson, Mike Connett, Kim Lopshire, Amy Brane, Pamela Akin. NOT PICTURED: Trudie Bauermeister, Ann Franke, Dee Dee Wilson, Scott Scherer, Cheryl Crellin, Mandy Patterson.

A constant cycle. Manager Joe Rice knows that keeping towels and uniforms clean is a never-ending job.



Behind-the-scenes life

Keeping their eyes on the team. Basektball managers Mike Gray and Dave Johnson watch the game closely.

Getting it all down. Ann Franke and Trudie Bauermeister record stats at a girls' basketball game.

Air.

It's just something that lingers around, something that's clear in color, something that is not really thought about a lot, but something that's very important for life.

Similarly, there are even some people that are somewhat "unseen." These people aren't always out of sight, and we often know who they are, but they do a lot of things that we don't know about, a lot of things we take for granted. Some of those jobs are taking care of uniforms and towels, filling water bottles, keeping statistics, timing whirlpools, and checking and preparing the different fields for play.

These people are the managers. They do a lot of work to make things run more smoothly for the coaches and players.

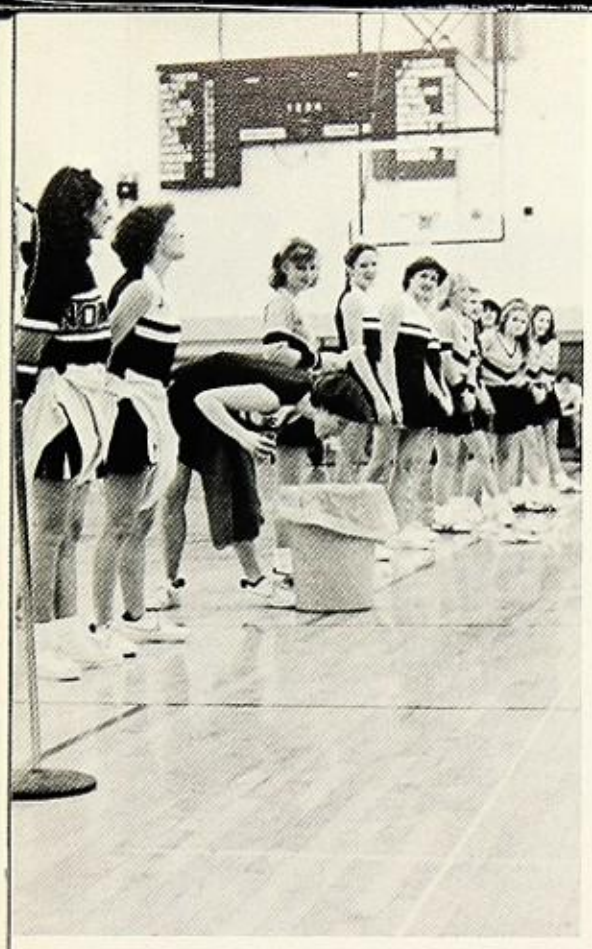
What would it be like without managers? Could the coaches still "manage" without them? "It would be really hectic because they would have to do everything and they wouldn't have time to spend with the team," commented Shari Hoopingarner, volleyball manager.

Kimmo Ruotsalainen, basketball manager, said, "They wouldn't survive!"

Even the coaches agreed that it would be hard. "It would be very difficult because they handle a lot of details, getting the equipment and maintaining it," said Coach Jerry Lewis.

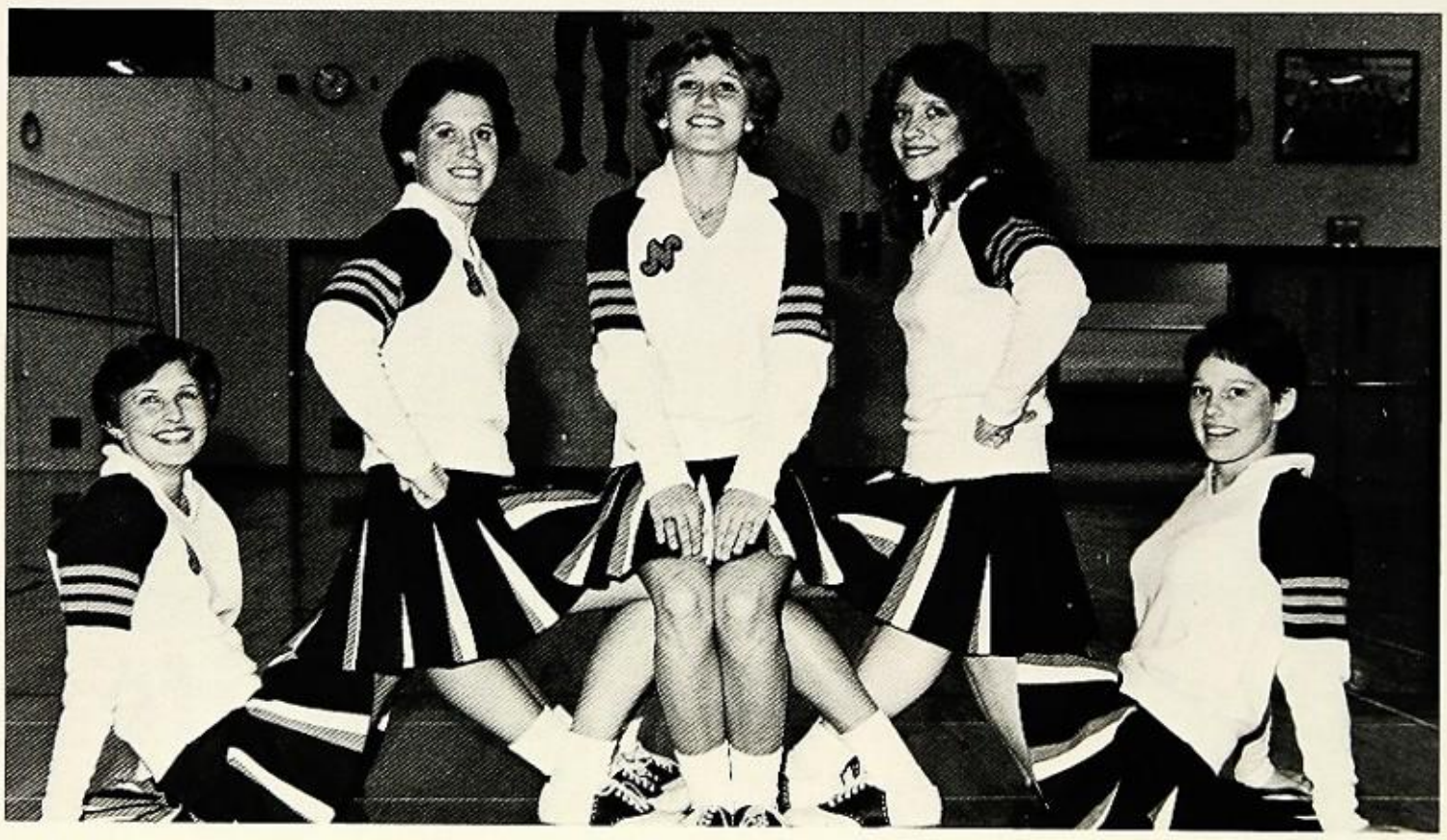
Coach Neil Kinsey commented, "If you had a good manager, it would be hard to get along without him, because a good manager is an asset to the coach."

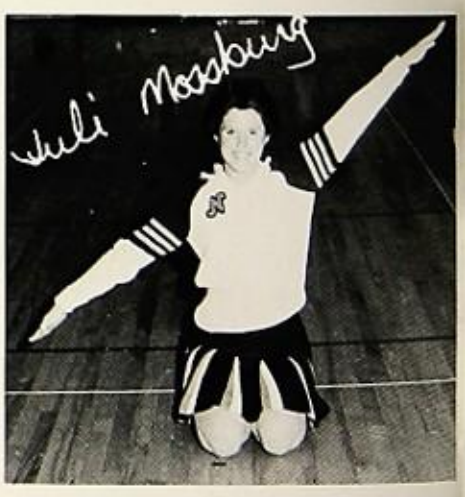
A sports team without a manager would probably be like life without air. That's right; there probably wouldn't be too many lively bodies around. Maybe there is too much taken for granted. Maybe we ought to stop and take a breath, and realize what's going on behind the scenes.



Twelve years of school? The cheerleaders demonstrate their many talents in this pep session skit.

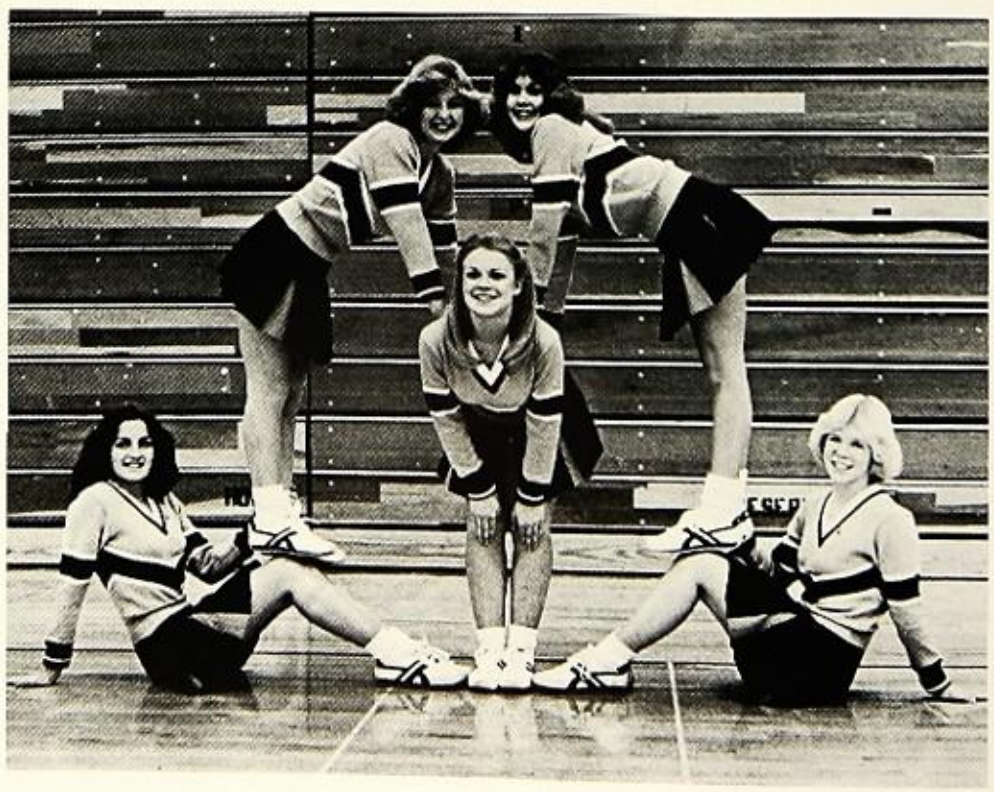
R-E-G-I-O-N-A-L! Varsity cheerleaders create excitement and enthusiasm at the game in Marion.

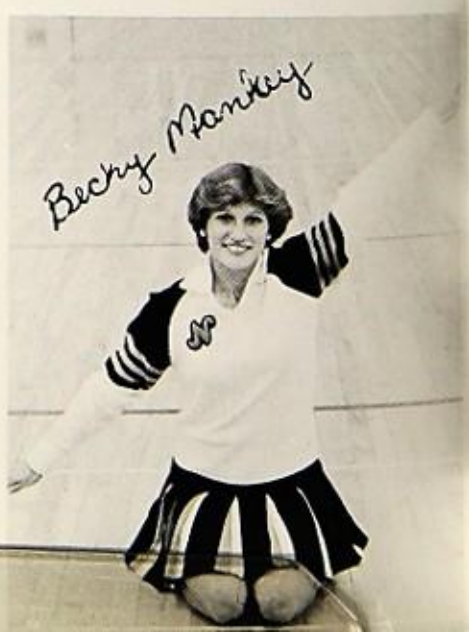




Varsity Cheerleaders. Jeannie Stauffer, Juli Mossburg, Becky Mankey, Rhonda Levitz, Cami Crane.

Freshman Cheerleaders. SITTING: Tina Delgado, Julie Hedges. STANDING: Sheryl Schaefer, Kristi Prichard, Tammy Kaufman.





Spirit and pep

One skirt, one shirt, two poms, loads of pep and pride. What do you have? A cheerleader!

"Y-E-L-L, everybody yell!" "N-O-R-W-E-L-L, Norwell, Norwell show your stuff. Make those Tigers bite the dust." These were among the chants the cheerleaders used to get enthusiasm rolling. The girls not only led cheers; they also posted signs in the commons, raffled records, and put on skits at pep sessions.

The cheerleaders, sponsored by Miss Erin Flannery, mixed words with excitement and pep, and topped them off with spirit and pride.

Senior Rhonda Levitz commented, "Being out in front of all the people is a lot of fun, especially when the crowd is rowdy."

Junior Varsity Cheerleaders. FRONT ROW: Gigi Delgado, Debbie Teeters. BACK ROW: Melissa Roberts, Karen Neuenschwander, Linda Ely.

Look out! Here I come. Ready to show her stuff, Beth Gilbert stands amidst the varsity cheerleaders.

Feet against the world

1980 Cross Country		
Norwell		Opponent
20	South Adams	43
25	Bellmont 54; So. Side	55
17	North Side	46
2nd	Churubusco Invitational	
15	So. Wells 52; Woodlan	81
37	DeKalb	18
15	Elmhurst	45
20	Bishop Luers	39
15	Heritage	44
1st	So. Side Invitational	
18	Carroll 45; Churubusco	85
1st	Manchester Invitational	
20	Leo 43; Adams Central	74
3rd	East Noble Fresh.-Soph.	
1st	ACAC	
1st	Bi-county	
1st	Sectional	
3rd	Regional	
10th	Semi-state	

Season's record: 70-2

Follow the leader. Bryant Lambert races behind Lanny Tillman.

"Wait a minute! Wait for me!

You're all alone, yet the ground below your feet leads you around trees and ponds, through golf courses like Hickory Hills and parks like Shoaff.

The mighty Knights not only saved gas, but their style of cruising also paid off in other ways. Coached for the first time by Mr. Bob Milton, the cross country team traced an average of 400 miles of grass and cobblestone during their summer workout." Varsity runners paced a 70-2 win-loss record, while the reserves cut the tape with a 19-0 record.

With only one senior journeying back, the team was a young one. This one senior made the Fort Wayne All-Area Team, was most valuable runner, and placed third in the sectional. Yes, this one was Stacy Schoeff. "As far as a team, things went well," said Schoeff. "The team spirit and attitude just wasn't the same. The guys did fill in for each other when one or two were out."

There also were many young members on the team, one of them being freshman Scott Steffen. Steffen felt that his first year on the team was "scary." "The distance change from grade school to high school was quite a lot," he explained. He also felt the team had its ups and downs.

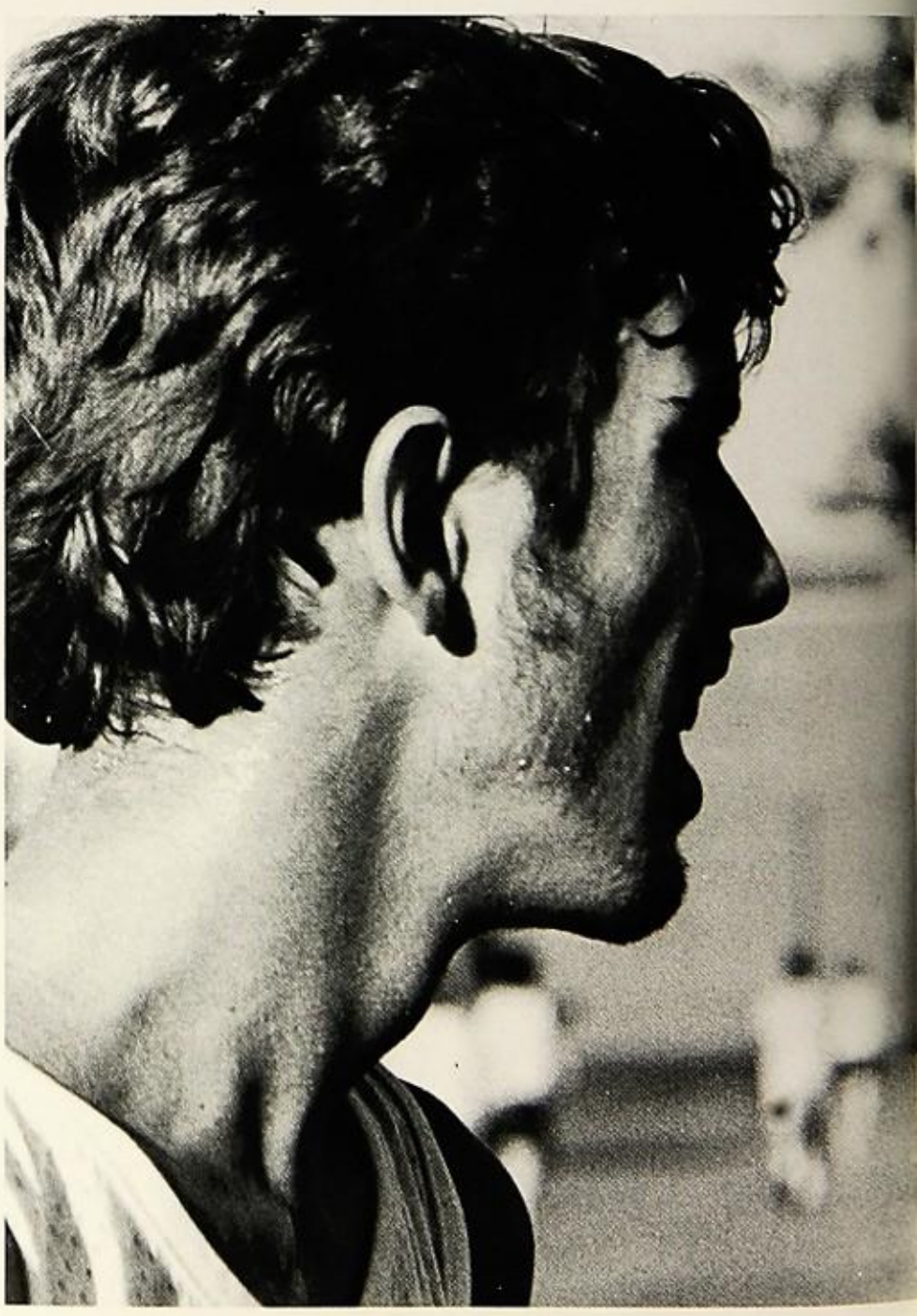
Also new to the team was Coach Milton. "Our winning was the key to making the conference and sectional," said Milton. "The conference teams didn't run well against us. All seven of the guys who ran in the conference meet made the All-Conference Team. We had an outstanding season. I'm real happy with their performance."

In spite of the team's record, some of the runners felt they could have done better. Junior Darren Bryan commented, "The team didn't do what we should have, even though we beat a lot of teams." Junior Vincent Gerber commented on the health of the team. "I felt the team did pretty good, except for our health at the end of the season. If not for that, we could have gone further."

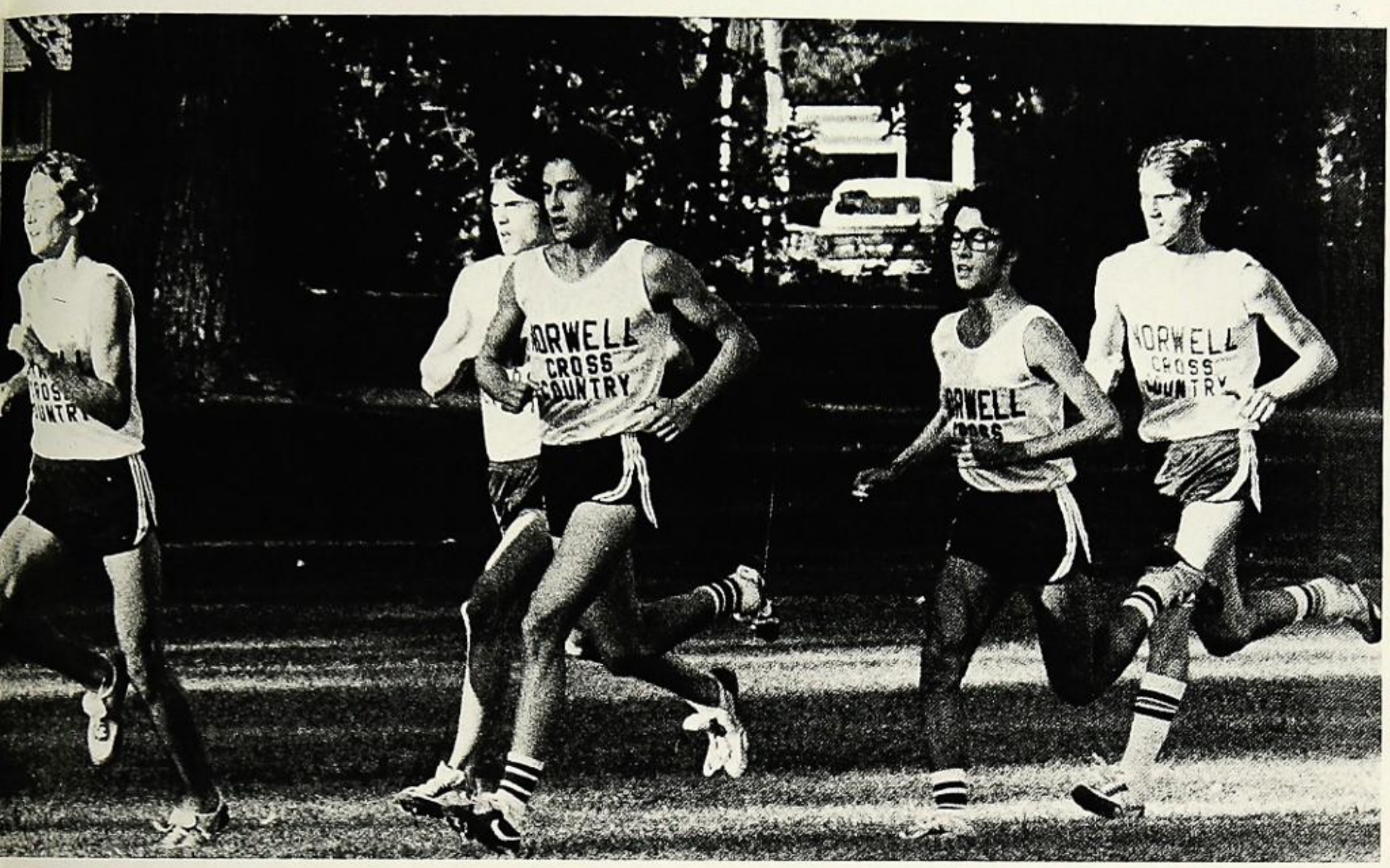
The cross country team has always set high goals. Reaching for perfection, with their wanting to do better even with an admirable season's record, this couldn't be more obvious.

After the race has ended, congratulations begin. Stacy Schoeff shakes the hand of a Wayne opponent after the South Adams Sectional.

Cross Country Team. FRONT ROW: Doug McDowell, John Earnest, Curt Franke, Barry Schnieders, Scott Steffen, Bryant Lambert. BACK ROW: Coach Bob Milton, John Schnieders, Stacy Schoeff, Lanny Tillman, Darren Bryan, Rod Hurraw, Vincent Gerber, Chris Norrick, Ann Strehler (manager). NOT PICTURED: Rob Levitz.

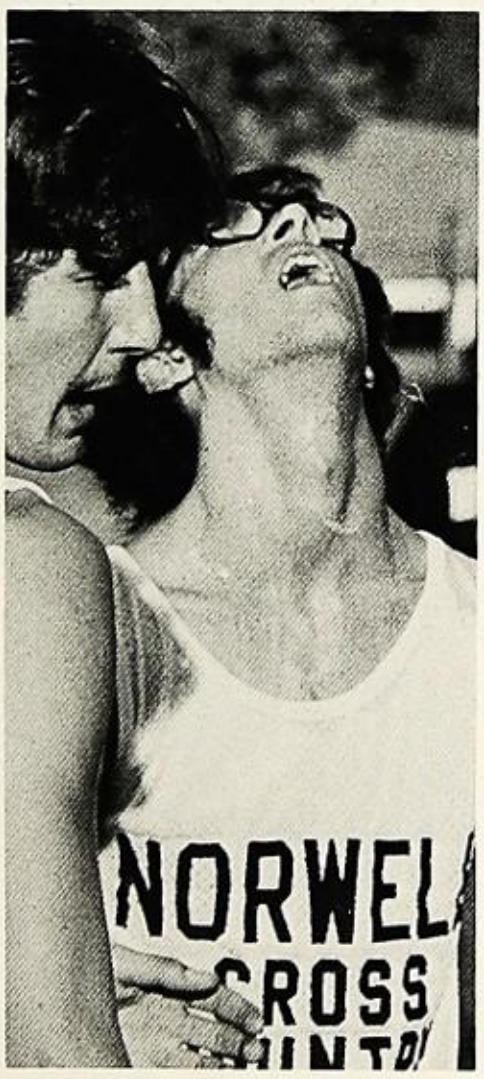


Beat the clock. Senior Stacy Schoeff and juniors Rod Hurraw, Vincent Gerber, John Schnieders, and Darren Bryan concentrate on footage in hopes of a winning time October 7 in the bi-county meet at Bellmont.

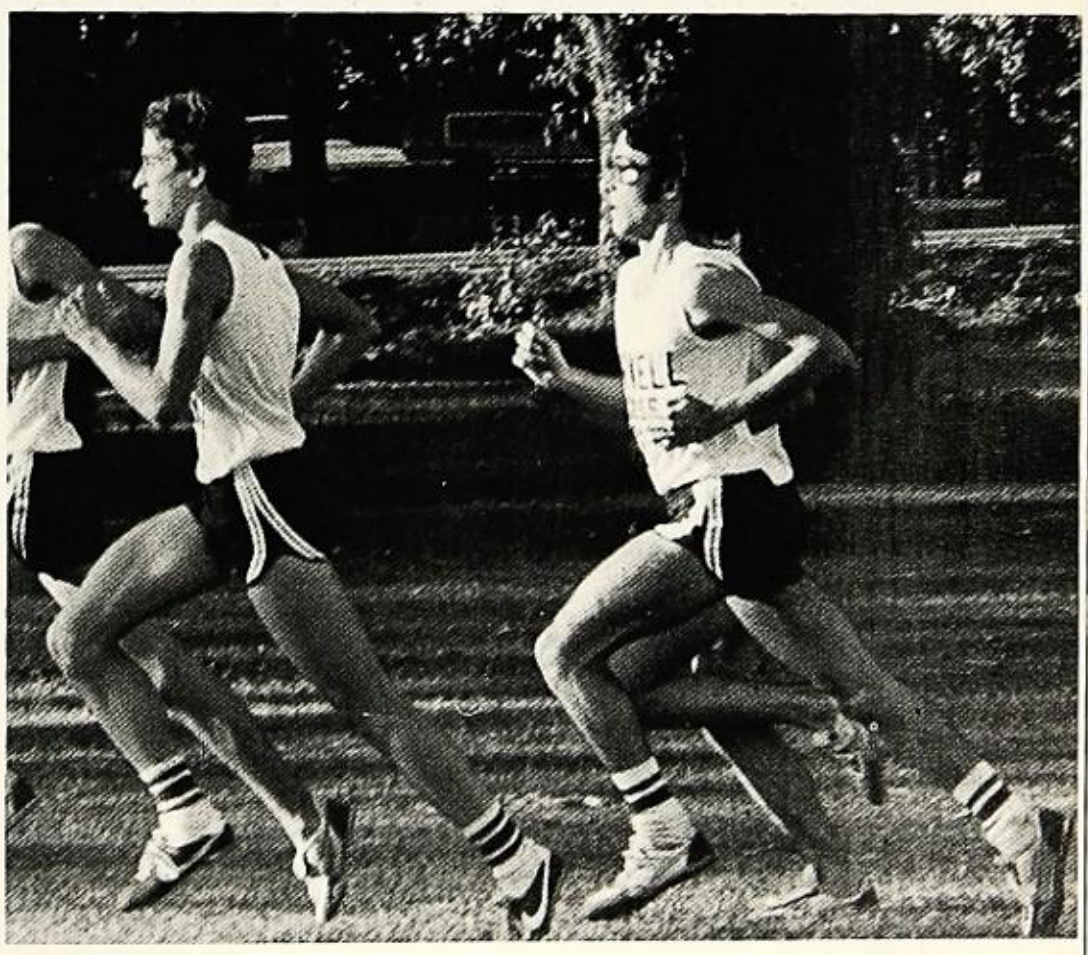


Down the lane to victory, junior Rod Hurraw at Bellmont helps pull in one of the season's 70 wins.

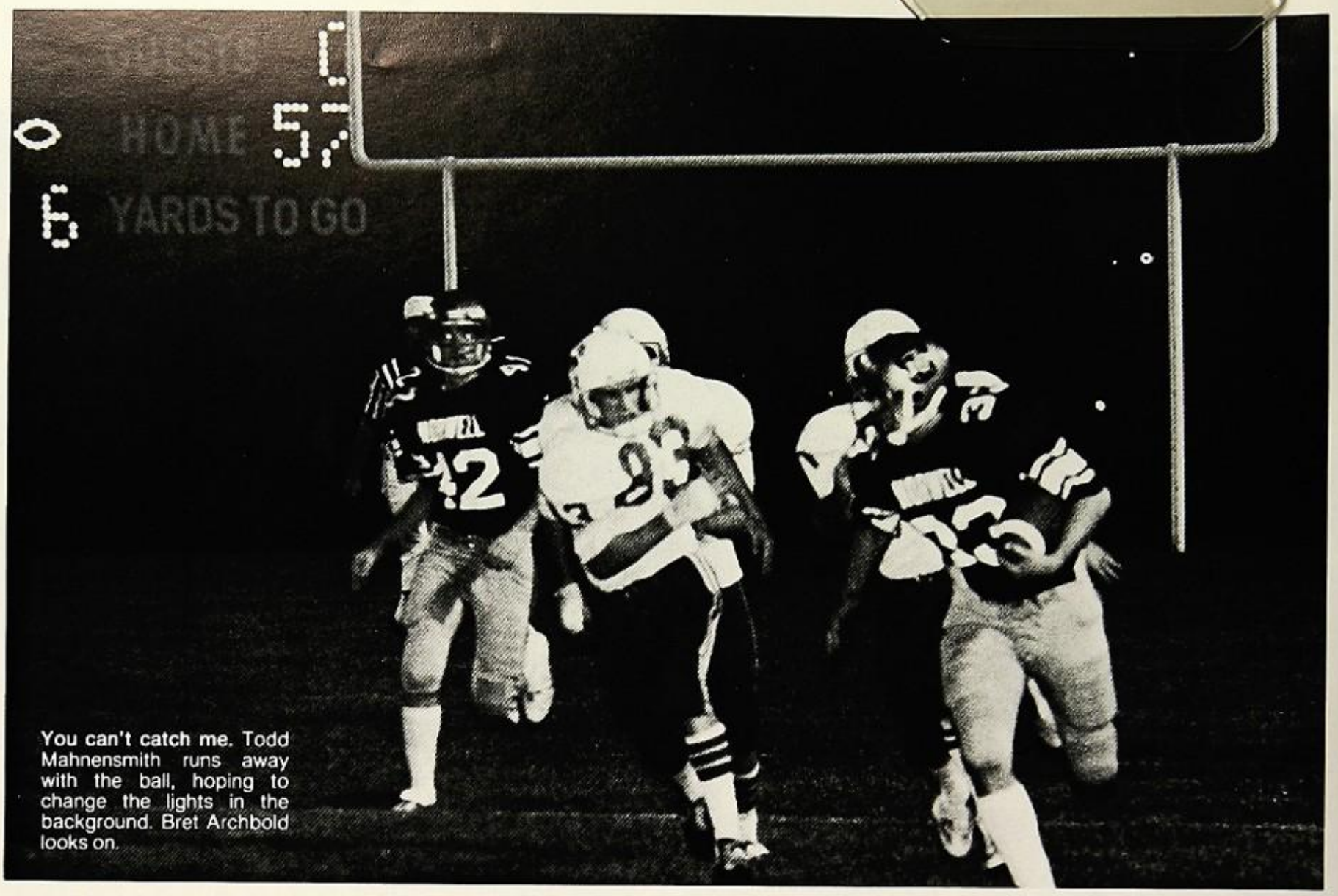
Deep in reflection. As sweat runs down his face, Darren Bryan contemplates the long distance traveled.



The agony of finish. The faces of Stacy Schoeff and John Schnieders show the results of a long, hard race.



Taking it in stride. The many miles ahead are on the minds of juniors Vincent Gerber and John Schnieders.



You can't catch me. Todd Mahnensmith runs away with the ball, hoping to change the lights in the background. Bret Archbold looks on.

The great gridiron gangsters

With the fog lingering, the town was quiet and still. Suddenly appearing in the dark, lonely, foggy street were the headlights of a huge black Cadillac. The car came to a halt. The Knights all filed out of the car with black suits, ties, and white hats with black ribbons. As they walked into the football stadium, whispers went through the crowd. The crowd became as still as the night.

The Knights got into position and fired up. One by one, each opposing team left, defeated and shy of a win. These gangsters finally showed them what they could do as they left memories pictured like a door full of bullet holes. Bodies were lying everywhere; injuries were untold. The town was at a standstill.

The Knights moved up and made it to the playoffs, where they met other undefeated teams. Competition was on the rise. Their first challenge in the playoffs was Blackford. While the lights glared, the guys again moved into position. The air was cold as the game came to an end. Another team had bitten the dust.

For the next challenge, and another step to the top, the Knights invited Northwood home. The air was brisk, and people from all areas brought their mittens and blankets. The crowd was the largest ever at a Norwell football game. Over 5,000 people came to see an exciting game. Many lined up along the fence, even after extra bleachers were brought in. The game seemed to be one of the longest games ever, as the Knights trailed the Panthers. They hung in until the game ended, but they just couldn't get the right shot. The Knights were finally defeated after a long fight.

Coach Gary Scott, who was voted coach of the year by the *Journal-Gazette*, commented, "We were fortunate to have gone to the playoffs. Delta provided us with the opportunity by losing to Jay County. They also gave us the opportunity of winning the playoffs and defeating the defending state champions."

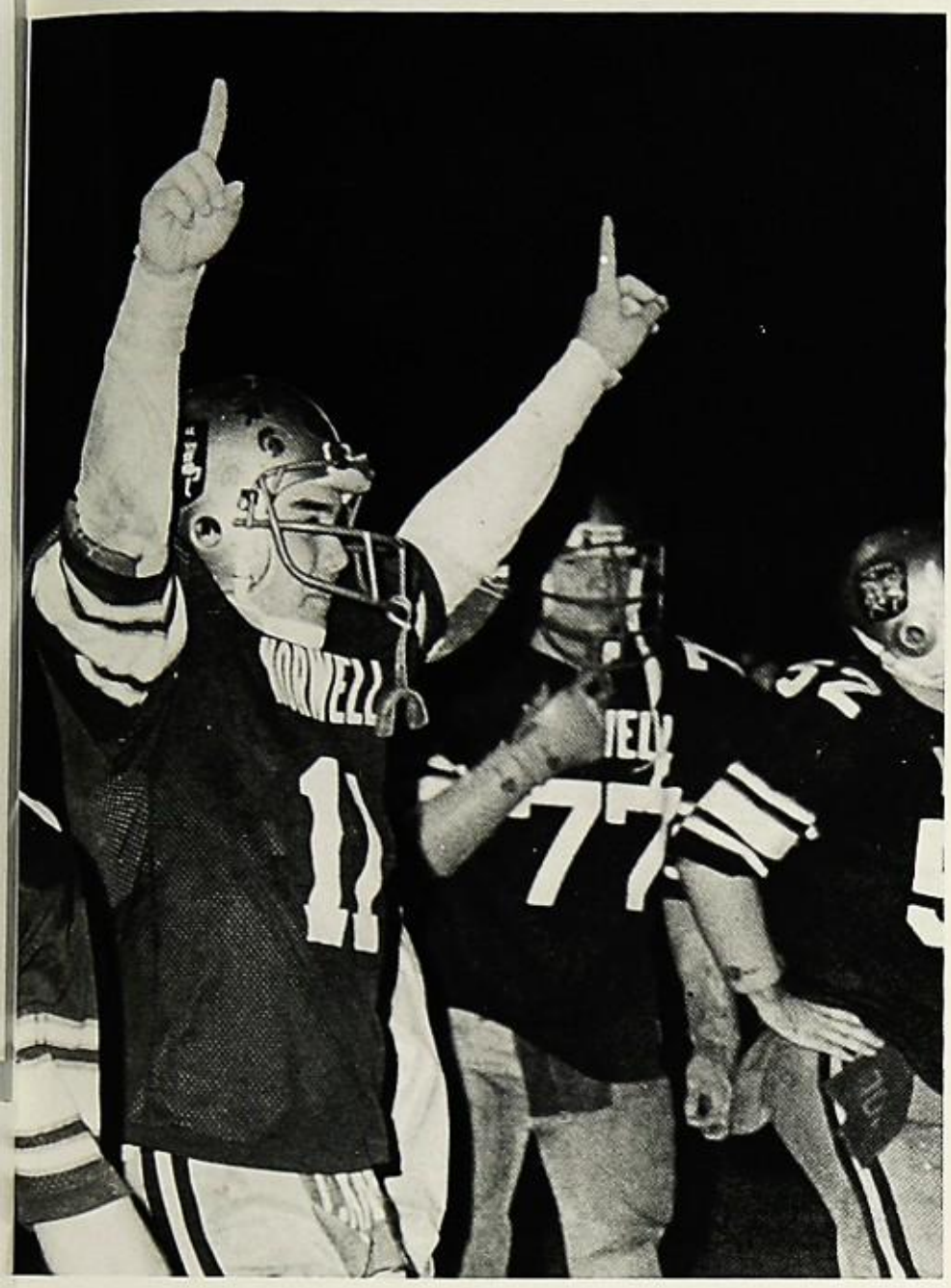
All-state quarterback Jeff Miller said, "I was satisfied with what we did. It takes a while to set in. I would like to have gone farther in the playoffs, but everyone enjoyed it."

Matt Kinzer, all-state punter, said, "I think the team was a real success this year. Our consistent defense made me proud to be a part of it. The season was a complete team effort, and Coach Scott was the biggest part of it."

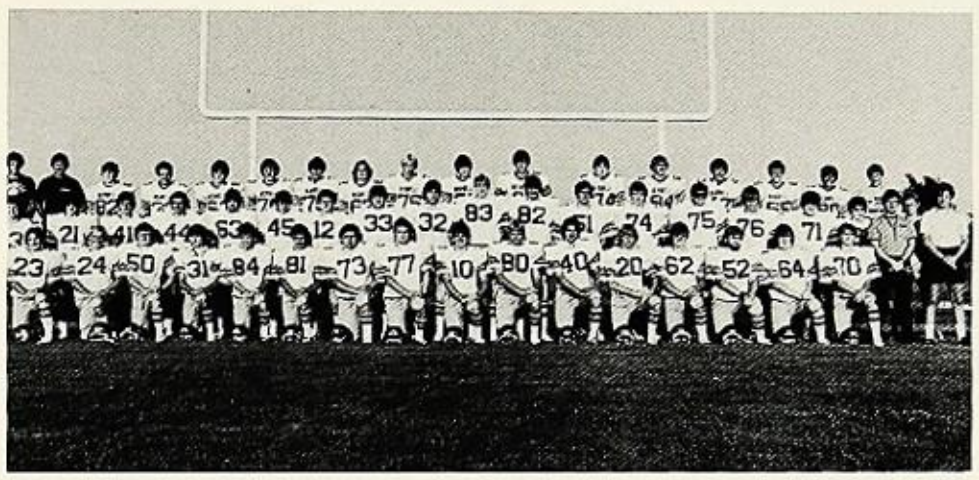
Senior center Jerry Kumfer commented, "I was proud of how our team held together through the 14 or 15 weeks of the season, and kept its poise in the tough games."

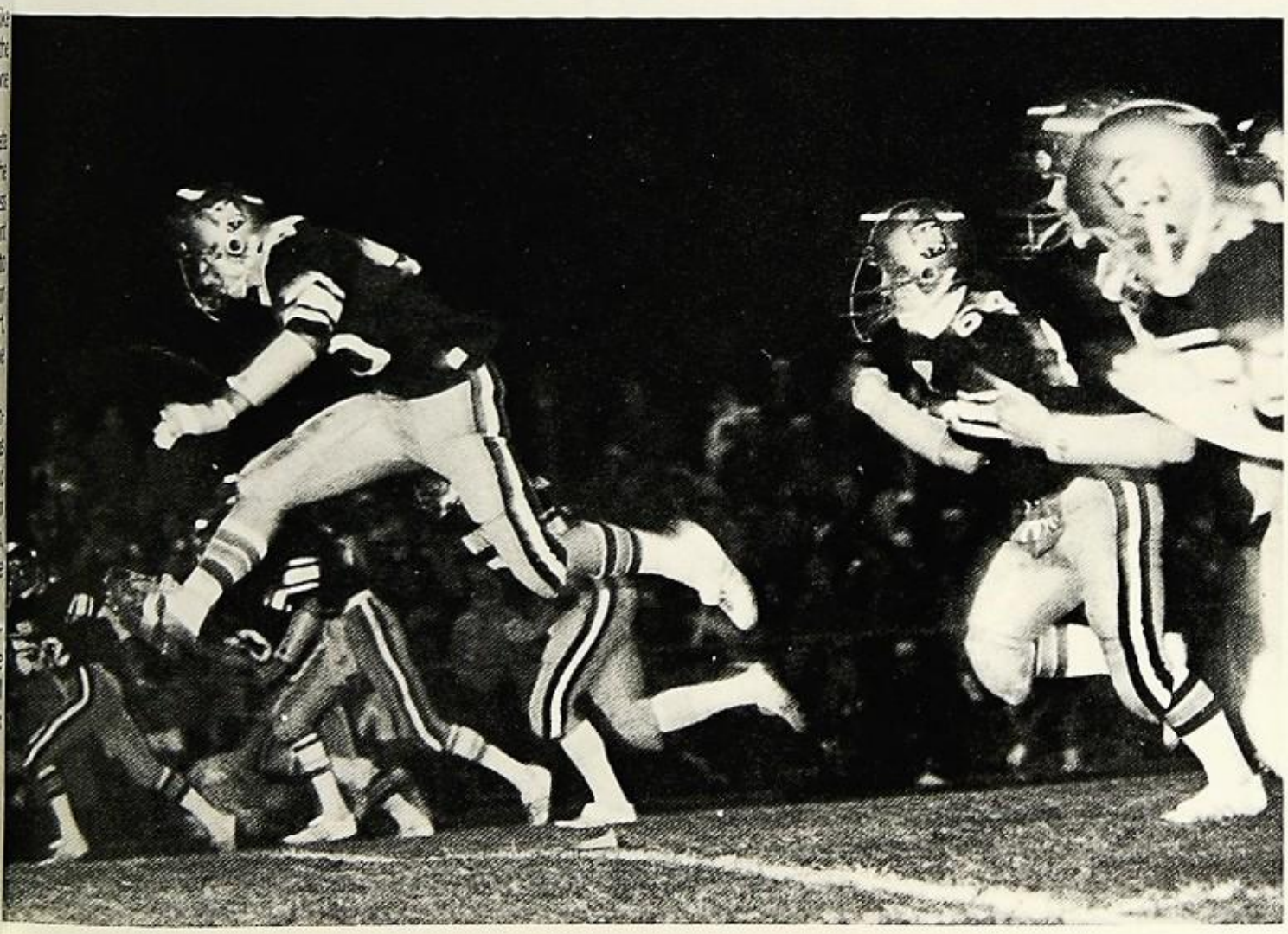
Coach Scott also commented, "We were the most consistent football team I've ever seen. Week after week we never . . .

NHS is No. 1! Matt Kinzer tells the story by reacting to an announcement during the Homecoming game against Carroll that Delta had lost to Jay County, meaning that Norwell would be in the state playoffs.



It's your turn now. Jeff Miller gives the ball to Jerry Kumfer to play with.

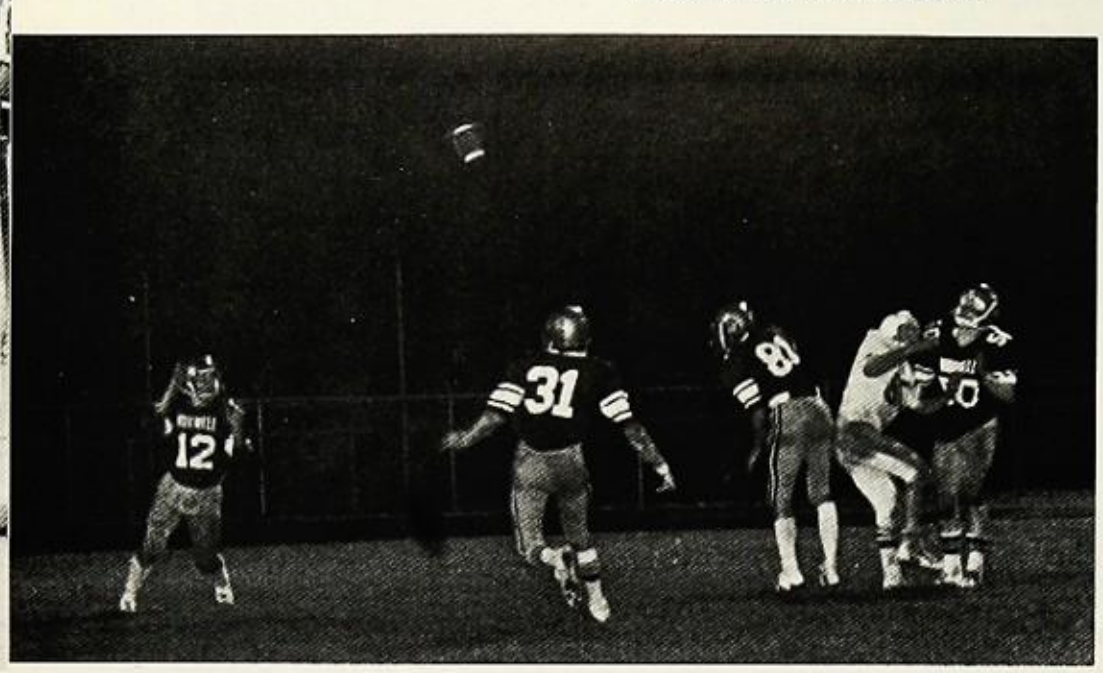


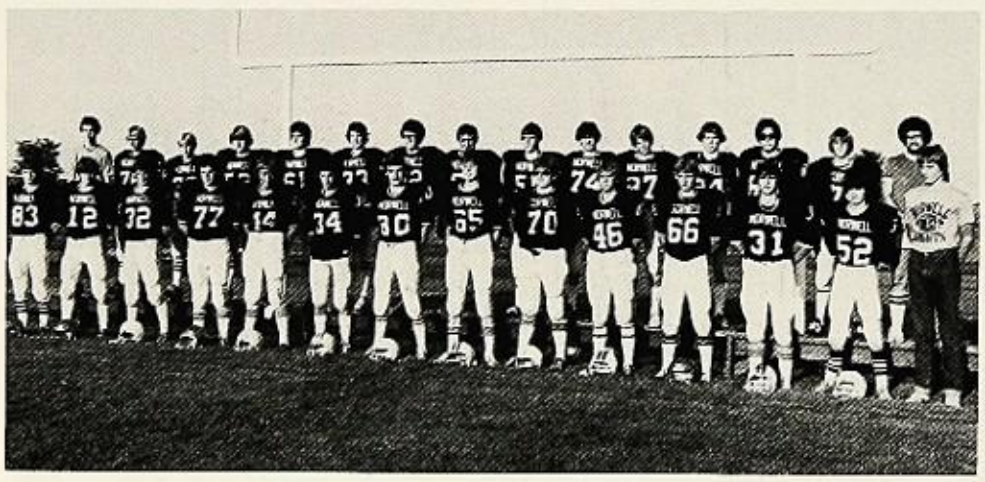


Varsity Football Team. FRONT ROW: Rick Dillon, Andy Antrim, Mark Smith, Scott Lindemann, Greg McBride, Craig Plummer, Brian Walda, Rick Weikel, Jeff Miller, Jerry Kumfer, Mike Gillum, Greg Griner, Scott DeHoff, Anthony Hoch, Eric Deavers, Larry Tillman, Coach Gary Scott. MIDDLE ROW: Fred Perrin, Lynn Saalfrank, Cliff Watson, Doug Steffen, Kurt DeLong, Ron Bacon, Chip Mann, Todd Mahnensmith, Neal Worden, Kent Maggard, Jann McAfee, Kent Somers, Mike Wicks, Pat Confer, Thomas Stayanoff, Dave Fillers, Rick Johnson, Kent Faus (manager), Mr. Jim Cobble (assistant coach). BACK ROW: Mr. Steve Yager (assistant coach), Mr. Bob Gilbert (assistant coach), Steve Dillon, Vince Hoopingarner, Mike Yaney, Dan Easley, Jeff Stove, Gregg Reed, Ron Hostetter, Bret Archbold, Scott Bender, Tony Bauermeister, Darol Harshman, Scott Bauermeister, Todd Houser, Kirk Roberts, Dave Johnson (manager).

Look, Mom, I can walk on air. Mike Gillum appears to be walking on air as other team members anticipate his kickoff to Northwood.

Mann's the man waiting to receive the ball. Scott Lindemann, Craig Plummer, and Mark Smith look on.





Freshman Football Team. FRONT ROW: Steve Scheckel, Bruce Kline, Jim Patten, Dean Ploughe, Darren Nusbaum, Todd Gaskill, John Van Tichelt, Chris Dunwiddie, Brian Macon, Chris Earhart, Kevin Morris, Todd Houser, Dean Watson, Chris Hoffman. BACK ROW: Tim Rohr, Doug Graft, Kyle Bailey, Barry Alberding, Greg Norris, Jeff Johnson, Mike LaMar, Steve Kitchin, Scott Wilson, Brian Thomas, Scott Griner, Coach Dale Hughes. NOT PICTURED: Mr. Mike Harter (assistant coach).

1980 Varsity Football

Norwell		Opponent
7	Concordia	0
35	Harding	0
32	Homestead	0
54	Leo	0
57	Heritage	0
26	Woodlan	12
42	Bluffton	0
61	Southern Wells	0
41	Carroll	0
55	Adams Central	3
26	Blackford	14
7	Northwood	10

Season's record: 11-1

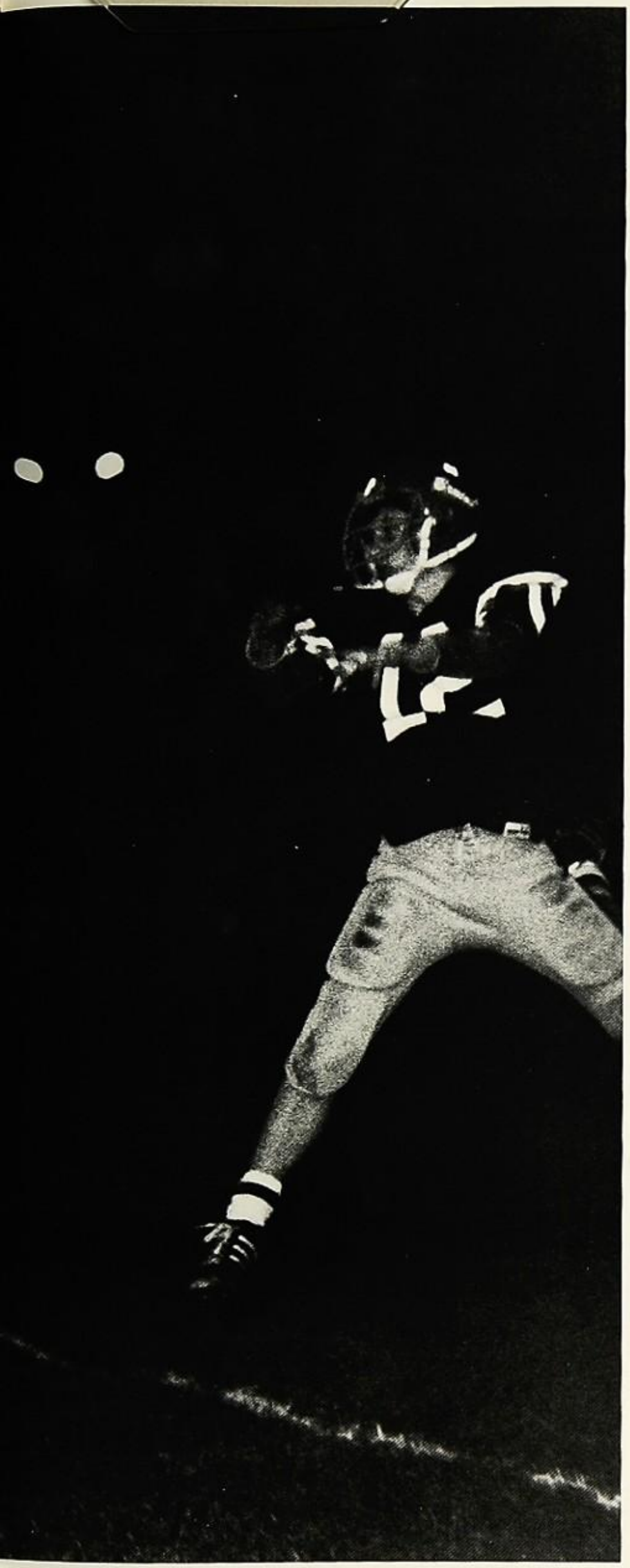
1980 Freshman Football

14	South Adams	0
42	Heritage	6
40	Bluffton	6
20	Crestview	0
35	Salamonie	0
20	Adams Central	22
20	Homestead	6

Season's record: 6-1

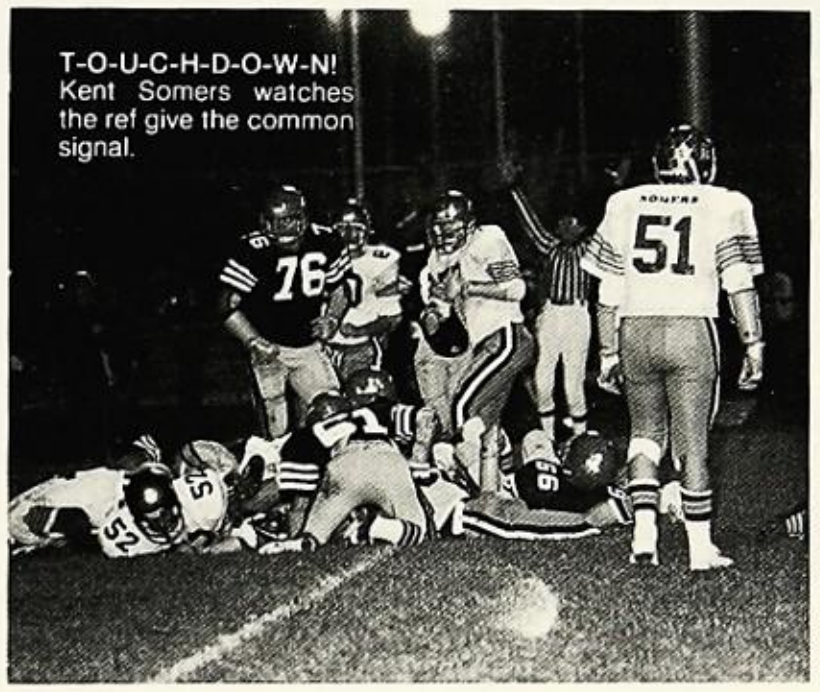
The scoreboard tells it all. Norwell beat Heritage Sept. 19.

Would you like to dance? Mike Gillum prepares to catch the pigskin during the game against Blackford.



Immovable muscle. Brian Walda tore knee ligaments the week of the last game. Kent Faus looks on.

Yeeeaaa, Coach! With a firm grip on the mighty clipboard of plays, Coach Scott led his team to 11 victories.



T-O-U-C-H-D-O-W-N! Kent Somers watches the ref give the common signal.

The great gridiron gangsters

. . . played a bad game. The seniors (as juniors last year) weren't leader types, but as they matured, their leadership showed up. They did an excellent job." Many of the guys received special honors for their "excellent job."

This was the first time in Wells County history that one of the county teams made it to the playoffs. We didn't make it to the final game, but we ought to be able to say that we were proud.

Terrific tennis

What could be the most outstanding thing to happen to the tennis team?

A winning season.

Yes, the team ended its season with a smashing 8-4 record.

Coach John White was pleased and proud about the season's outcome. "We started out great placing second at the DeKalb Invitational," he stated. "We then, for the first time in history, had a win against Bluffton. For the most part, we reached all our goals."

The team was dominated by all seniors in varsity spots. Playing No. 1 singles for the mighty Knights was Stacy Hoffacker. He summed up the season by saying, "We've come a long way, and the growing potential finally reached its peak this year. I think that the dedication and leadership of Coach White and the senior members have made this year Norwell's finest year of tennis!"

Dave Rupel was designated most improved player, and Kimmo Ruotsalainen had the best win-loss record: 9-5.

J.V. players ended up with a 500 season, and the freshman team went undefeated in its five matches. Coach White said that the freshmen have a high potential for the future.

Hit me with your best shot! Greg Van Meter concentrates on the upcoming serve.

1980 Boys' Varsity Tennis

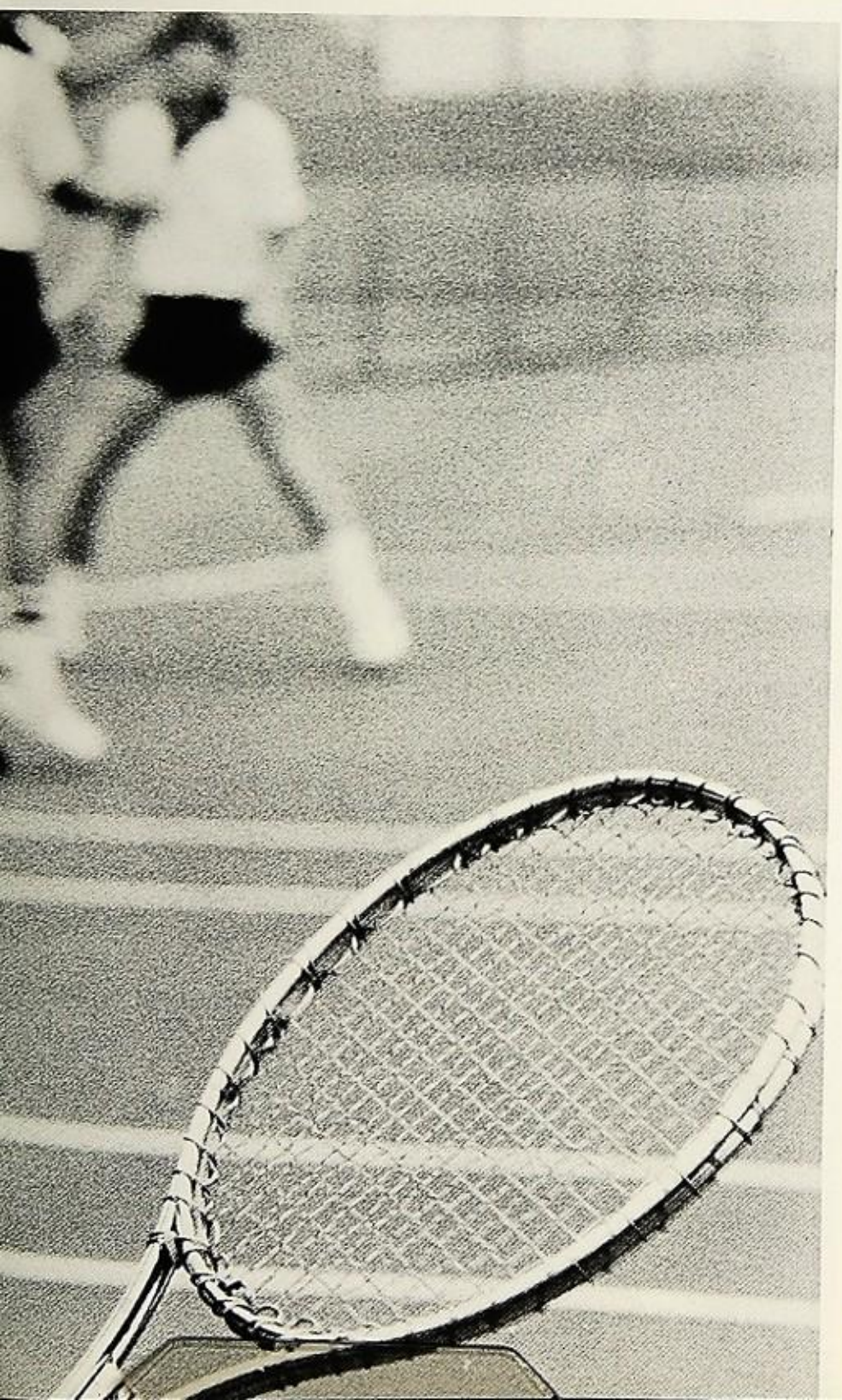
Norwell	Opponent	
2nd	DeKalb Invitational	
1	South Side	4
4	Huntington	1
3	Bluffton	2
4	Bellmont	1
4	Columbia City	1
4	South Adams	1
2	New Haven	3
4	Bellmont	1
5	South Adams	0
5	Elmhurst	0
2	Blackford	3
2	Wayne	3
	Sectional:	
1	*Columbia City*	4

Season's record: 8-4

Oomph for triumph! Kimmo Ruotsalainen returns with gumption.

Hold it — just one shot at a time, please. Stacy Hoffacker goes for a tough return.

Charleston, Charleston. Sophomore Mick Lewis does fancy footwork for a quick return.



Fantastic! Wide-eyed Scott Scherer watches his team members smash their opponents.

J.V. and Varsity Tennis Teams. FRONT ROW: Michael Hilsmier, Tim Milholland, Mick Lewis, Trent McBride, Kipp Woods, Scott Hoffacker, Bruce Imel. BACK ROW: Coach John White, Dave Rupel, Greg Van Meter, Stacy Hoffacker, Kimmo Ruotsalainen, Scott Scherer, Mark Fiechter, Bob Nichter, Tobias Steffen.

Freshman Tennis Team. Coach John White, Lex Hunter, Todd Bate, Shawn Sliger, Joel Schumacher.

Going up. No. 1 doubles player Dave Rupel gets ready to deliver a powerful return.

1980 Boys' J.V. Tennis

Norwell		Opponent
0	South Side	4
3	Huntington	2
3	Bluffton	4
5	Columbia City	0
4	South Adams	1
2	New Haven	3
2	South Adams	3
5	Elmhurst	0
1	Blackford	4
1	Wayne	0

Season's record: 5-5

1980 Boys' Freshman Tennis

6	Crestview	2
7	Riverview	1
4	Crestview	3
6	Salamonie	0
4	Salamonie	2

Season's record: 5-0

Sectional streaks again

They did it again! The netters won their fourth straight Huntington North Sectional, one of the major highlights of the season. Like the movements of a butterfly, the volleyball team had its ups and downs, but they learned to teach themselves the angles of flight and maneuverability. The color, endurance and effectiveness came in the latter half of the cycle as they landed on a log with a couple of winning streaks. Sure, they had some falls here and there, but only to look more alive later.

The volleyball team, coached by Miss Vickee Herron, had a rebuilding season, as only one senior, Susan Nahrwold, ventured back to the cocoon. "We were a young team, which made a tough season," said Nahrwold. "It was rough being the only senior because of the amount of experience."

Junior Denise Scheumann commented, "This year we started the volleyball season with a whole new team. We worked together as a team and progressed as the season went on."

Coach Herron felt the strong offense led the team to the *y* in *victory* because of the ability of the hitters and spikers.

The netters ended their cycle with a varsity record of 13 wins and 14 losses, while the junior varsity floated with the breeze, ending with eight wins and two losses.

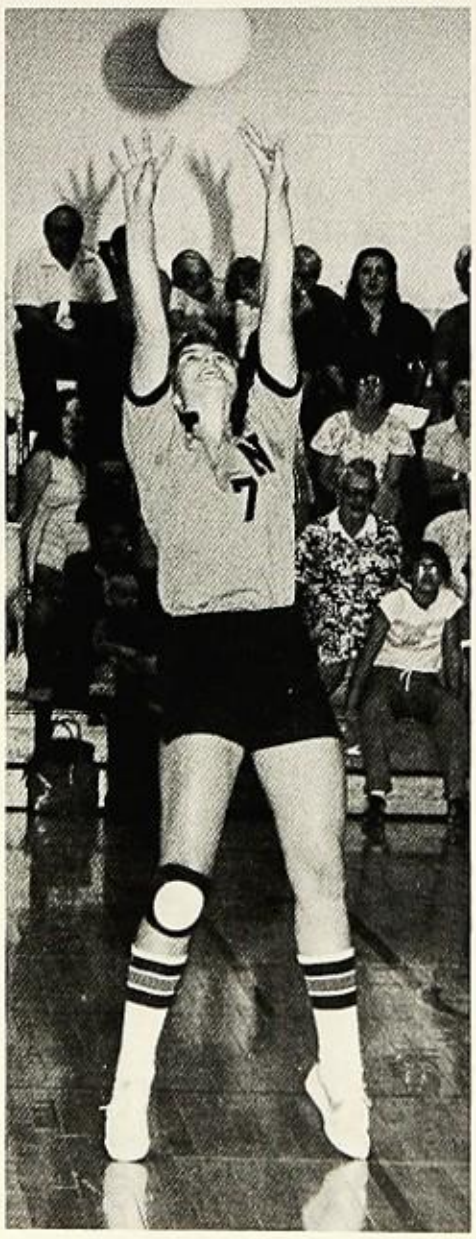
"For as young as the team was, we got our bearings together," said sophomore Gala Gerber. "I felt we did quite well."

1980 Varsity Volleyball

Opponent	Score (Norwell — Opponent)
Harding	3-15; 3-15
Bellmont	4-15; 9-15
South Side	15-9, 10-15, 15-7
Wayne	6-15, 15-11, 4-15
South Adams	15-8, 14-16, 12-15
Southern Wells	15-8, 13-8
Elmhurst	9-15, 9-15
Churubusco	15-2, 13-15, 15-6
Adams Cen.	9-15, 15-12, 11-15
Bellmont	11-15, 15-11, 10-15
North Side	6-15, 8-15
Wayne	10-15, 9-15
Madison-Grant	16-14, 17-15
Bluffton	15-11, 15-7
Woodlan	15-10, 15-13
Carroll	5-15, 15-10, 15-12
Hunt. North	14-10, 4-15, 15-13
Leo	7-15, 5-15
Heritage	1-15, 7-15
Adams Central	15-11, 15-8
Heritage	7-15, 5-15
Homestead	15-17, 11-15
White's Institute	15-6, 15-3
Northfield	16-14, 15-11
Huntington North	15-10, 15-3
Leo	6-15, 5-15

Season's record: 12-14

Double jumping, double bumping. Denise Scheumann and Julie Burton combine efforts.



Up, up and away! Denise Scheumann sets the ball upward in a match against Bluffton.

Spiked punch. Gala Gerber returns the ball to Bluffton opponents. Kelly Hoopingarner anticipates its return.

NHS net-work. Denise Scheumann reaches for the ball. Denise Johnloz waits for a try.

You can let me down now. Denise Johnloz returns the ball as Denise Scheumann and Tina Gray look on.

1980 J.V. Volleyball

Opponent	Score (Norwell-Opponent)
South Side	14-16, 15-7, 15-11
Wayne	10-15, 11-15
South Adams	15-10, 15-4
Southern Wells	15-5, 15-4
Elmhurst	5-15, 15-13, 5-15
Bluffton	15-8, 15-5
Hunt. North	15-7, 3-15, 15-6
Homestead	15-8, 6-15, 15-11

Season's record: 8-2

Armed guard. Kelly Hoopingarner reverses action in a match against Bluffton. Gala Gerber stands by.

Volleyball Team. FRONT ROW: Michele Stohler, Stasi Decker, Amy George, Julie Prichard, Kathy Smith, Julie Burton, Trudie Bauermeister, Robin Fisher, Shari Hoopingarner (manager), Jamie Lassiter (manager). BACK ROW: Rhonda Scheckel (manager), Jennifer Scheckel, Denise Johnloz, Susan Nahrwold, Gala Gerber, Denise Scheumann, Tina Gray, Brenda Bauermeister, Tami Gerber, Coach Vickee Herron. NOT PICTURED: Kelly Hoopingarner.

Plenty of action

Chills of excitement running up and down spines, shouts of joy, tears of happiness, and smiles of satisfaction were felt again and again throughout the entire basketball season.

But to get these reactions, there had to be plenty of action. With the steady hands of Jeff Miller and the jumping and rebounding power of Jerry Kumfer and Dirk Bradburn, there was all the action for a great season of excitement. And that it was.

Coach Jerry Lewis commented, "The season was a successful one. We accomplished three major goals: ACAC Tourney, conference, and sectional championships. Not only did we succeed in winning, but individually there were improvements."

With a total of 490 points, Jeff Miller was leading scorer. (He hit over 1,000 points during his entire varsity career — a feat accomplished by only one other person in Norwell's history.) Dirk Bradburn was second leading scorer, with 211 points.

Miller explained the team's success this way: "We had a lot of experience coming back, like Jerry, Matt, and me, and we played as a team a lot."

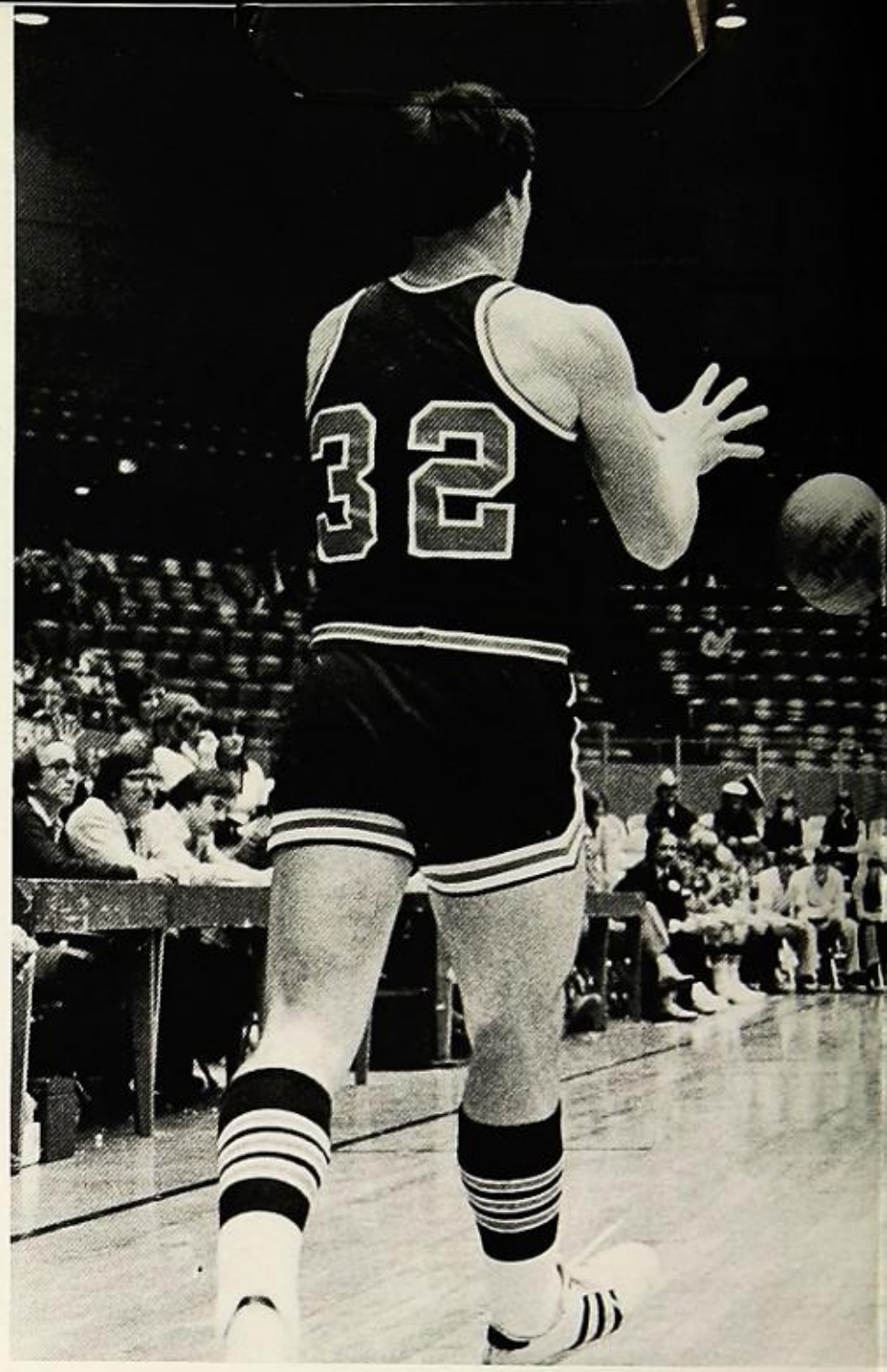
Coach Lewis also said, "All players played their roles very well. Miller received a lot of support from Dirk and Jerry on rebounds and defense, while in other areas the support came from Mick Lewis, who averaged 4.5 assists a game, and from Hoopingarner and Matt Kinzer in ball handling."

"I think our team was quite successful," said Matt Kinzer. "I was very happy with the way we finished. It helped with the student body giving us an extra boost at the Marion Regional."

Coach Lewis also mentioned that to have a strong team, they also had to have a powerful bench, which consisted of Neal Worden, Hoopingarner, Chip Mann, Eric Milholland, and Kent Maggard.

The season's record was 18-6.

Boys' Varsity Basketball Team. FRONT ROW: Mick Lewis, Chip Mann, Eric Milholland, Keith Woodward, Neal Worden, Rick Hoopingarner. BACK ROW: Coach Jerry Lewis, Matt Kinzer, Kent Maggard, Dirk Bradburn, Jerry Kumfer, Jann McAfee, Jeff Miller, Mr. Neil Kinsey (assistant coach).



Human drill Dirk. Dirk Bradburn bores his way through a hole in South Side's defense.

M & M. Jeff Miller and Mick Lewis pass down the floor in a drill to the basket.

1980-81 Boys' Varsity Basketball

Norwell		Opponent
	Huntington Classic Tourney:	
55	*Huntington North*	63
64	*Concordia*	59
73	Leo	45
50	Eastside	48
58	Carroll	65
61	Eastbrook	46
68	DeKalb	77
85	South Adams	42
53	Bluffton	51
54	Heritage	45
	ACAC Tourney:	
51	*Carroll*	48
60	*Heritage*	47
71	*Woodlan*	49
78	Churubusco	51
73	Bellmont	40
48	Homestead	60
60	Southern Wells	50
67	Blackford	63
57	Woodlan	47
86	Adams Central	54
61	South Side	64
	South Adams Sectional:	
67	*Bellmont*	41
58	*Southern Wells*	46
	Marion Regional:	
62	*Homestead*	74

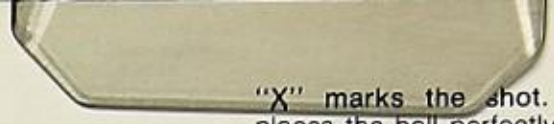
Season's record: 18-6

"Skip to My Lou." Mick Lewis races down the court to take a quick shot.

Onward and upward. Jeff Miller strides to the rim for a fine shot.

Flying high. Jerry Kumfer goes up in the air to boost the score two more points ahead of Homestead's.

Kinzer for the kill. Matt Kinzer "shoots" for two for a lead against Carroll.



"X" marks the shot. Matt Kinzer places the ball perfectly for foul shot success during the ACAC Tourney.

Plenty of action

Not only did the varsity basketball team have talent, but Coach Neil Kinsey's junior varsity players put on a great show this year, too.

Coach Kinsey commented, "I think this had to be our finest year. We won our conference, which was nice. When we played well, we won. That was our secret."

For the first time in three years, the junior varsity team won the Huntington Classic, a four-way tourney.

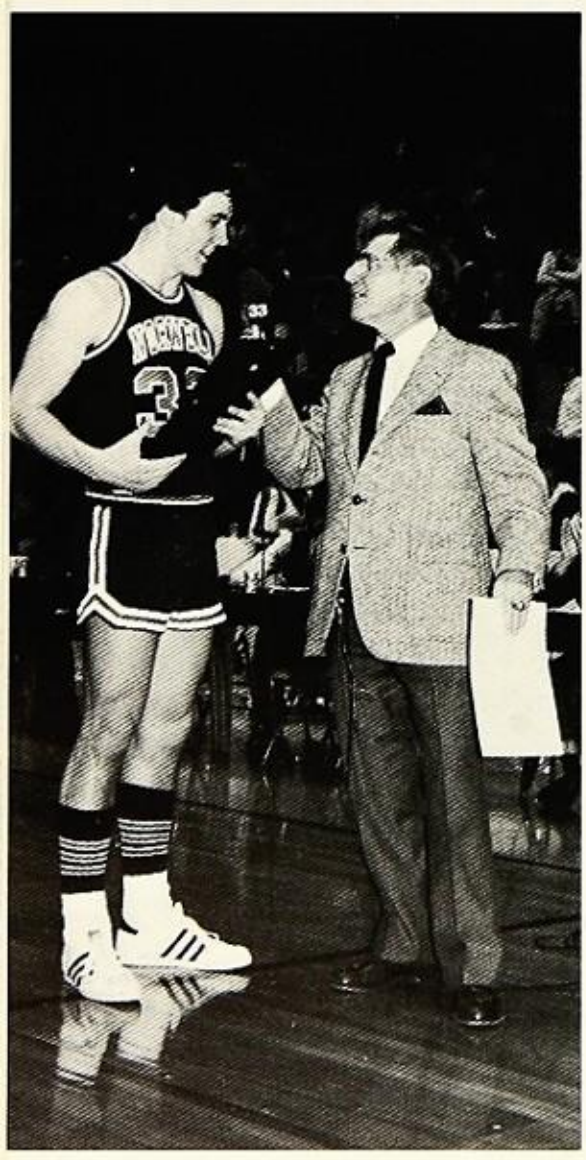
The team's outstanding ability is shown by its season's record: 18-2. This was the 14th consecutive year the J.V. team has had a winning season.

"Stat points are very important," said Coach Kinsey. "Jann McAfee had the highest stat points (358), and Keith Woodward had 345. To me, that's as important as being high scorer."

Leading scorer for the Knights was McAfee, with 240; he averaged 12 points per game. Second leading scorer was Woodward, with 189.

"I think our team was tremendous in the way we worked together," said McAfee. "Also, I believe our team wouldn't have had such a successful season if it wasn't for the unselfishness of giving up the ball."

The freshman team, coached by Mr. Verlin Scherrer, had a 10-4 season.



Me and my MVP. Mr. Hilliard Gates presents Jeff Miller the Most Valuable Player Award at the ACAC Tourney.

Aim for the top. Rick Hoopingarner is at the peak of his shot for another basket.

Up in arms. Coach Lewis, Jerry Kumfer, Jeff Miller, and Matt Kinzer celebrate their South Adams Sectional victory.

Boys' Junior Varsity Basketball Team. FRONT ROW: Mike Gray (manager), Bruce Imel, Dave Penrod, Mick Lewis, Steve Baker, Tim Milholland, Dave Johnson (manager). BACK ROW: Kimmo Ruotsalainen (manager), Todd Himes, Dave Worthman, Mike Witte, Scott Bender, Jann McAfee, Keith Woodward, Bret Archbold. NOT PICTURED: Coach Neil Kinsey.

Boys' Freshman Basketball Team. FRONT ROW: Lex Hunter, Richard Baxter, Jeff Shelton, Alan Macklin, Scott Steffen, Joel Schumacher, Kyle Bailey, Coach Verlin Scherer. BACK ROW: Joe Rice (manager), Craig Johnloz, Bruce Kline, Shawn Sliger, John Van Tichelt, Chris Hoffman, Jim Patten, Kevin Morris, Tim Rohr (manager).

1980-'81 Boys' Freshman Basketball

Norwell		Opponent
45	Adams Central	43
44	Riverview	18
64	Bellmont	51
35	Crestview	39
43	Harding	45
57	Woodlan	49
47	Homestead	50
50	Heritage	47
41	DeKalb	39
40	Southern Wells	28
42	New Haven	43
63	Bluffton	11
45	Salamonie	33
54	Carroll	53

Season's record: 10-4

1980-'81 Boys' Junior Varsity Basketball

Norwell		Opponent
	Huntington Classic Tourney:	
44	*Huntington North*	39
57	*Concordia*	39
36	Leo	35
51	Eastside	30
50	Carroll	43
48	Eastbrook	39
56	DeKalb	66
	"B" Tourney:	
41	*Bellmont*	21
52	*Bluffton*	27
46	South Adams	43
42	Bluffton	22
35	Heritage	21
65	Churubusco	29
48	Bellmont	33
48	Homestead	46
58	Southern Wells	39
49	Blackford	32
45	Woodlan	33
44	Adams Central	39
40	South Side	45

Season's record: 18-2

At the tips of his fingers. Jann McAfee is ready to take a clear shot.

Young, alive, and ready

The beach has many characteristics that resemble the girls' basketball team. Imagine games of endless play — walking on the hot sand, dodging lifeless bodies, climbing over rocks, and fighting the tide rolling in and out to sea.

The girls' basketball teams, coached by Mrs. Terri Worden and Mr. Peter Marshall, fought the tide of bettered teams, dodging lifelessness, and not quite making it over a few of those rocks.

There were five games in which the varsity squad missed the top by a mere two points, including both the conference and sectional tournament/games. They did take time out to allow enthusiasm and positive attitudes to settle in. They wanted to go out and play their best, ready to show themselves up, even through the losses.

Three records were broken by the varsity squad during the season. Two were disappointing, but on a positive note, Amy George scored the most points by a freshman on the varsity squad; she accounted for 85 points. "We had large amounts of enthusiasm, dedication, and closeness besides the face that we were young," said varsity coach Worden.

The varsity squad ended its season with seven wins, eleven losses. Julie Dian and Denise Johnloz shared similar feelings about the season; "We feel we are a very young team. Since we had never played together before, we feel we learned a lot. There was a lot of balance on the team working together."

The J.V. girls showed dedication and allowed room for improvement. "There was a lot of work involved and there was steady improvement throughout the season," said Coach Marshall. "Dedication was the mark of this team." The junior varsity players ended their season with six wins and ten losses.

Junior Cheri Decker commented, "Our season wasn't too bad. I would have liked to win a few games, but we had fun playing, and that's what counts."

1980-'81 Girls' Varsity Basketball

Norwell		Opponent
28	Homestead	45
35	Wayne	55
54	Elmhurst	38
50	South Side	51
50	Bluffton	42
43	Huntington North	51
31	Leo	46
35	South Adams	37
33	Adams Central	19
41	Bellmont	42
57	Woodlan	43
35	Heritage	48
51	Churubusco	33
30	Bishop Luers	57
38	*ACAC Tourney: Carroll*	39
40	Carroll	39
45	Southern Wells	34
49	*IHSAA Tourney: South Adams*	51

Season's record: 7-11

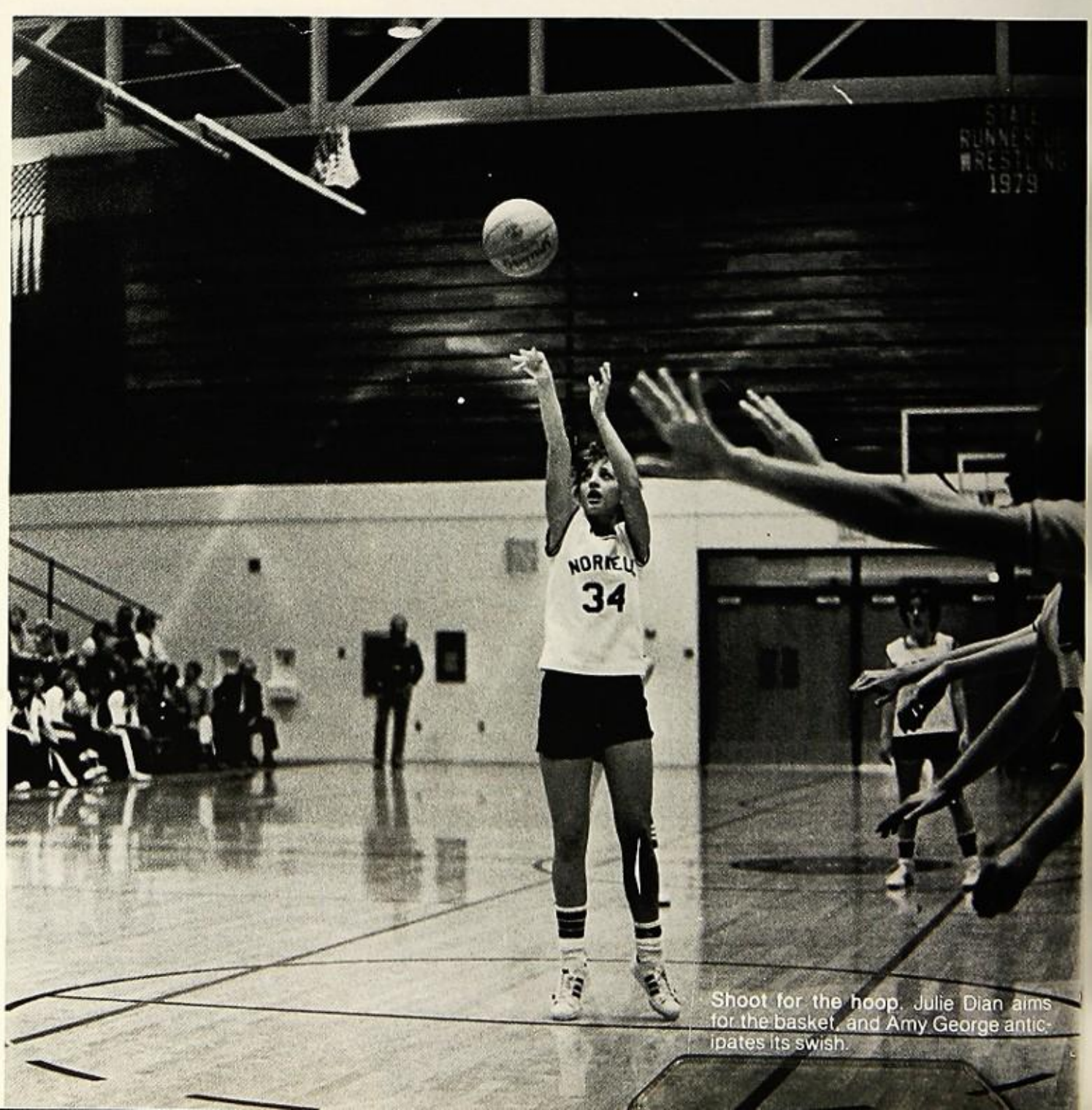
1980-'81 Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball

Norwell		Opponent
20	Homestead	17
22	Wayne	32
36	Elmhurst	19
22	South Side	32
23	Bluffton	27
26	Huntington North	49
13	Leo	25
32	South Adams	14
26	Adams Central	28
23	Bellmont	37
33	Woodlan	27
10	Heritage	21
16	Churubusco	23
33	Bishop Luers	39
22	Carroll	19
38	Southern Wells	20

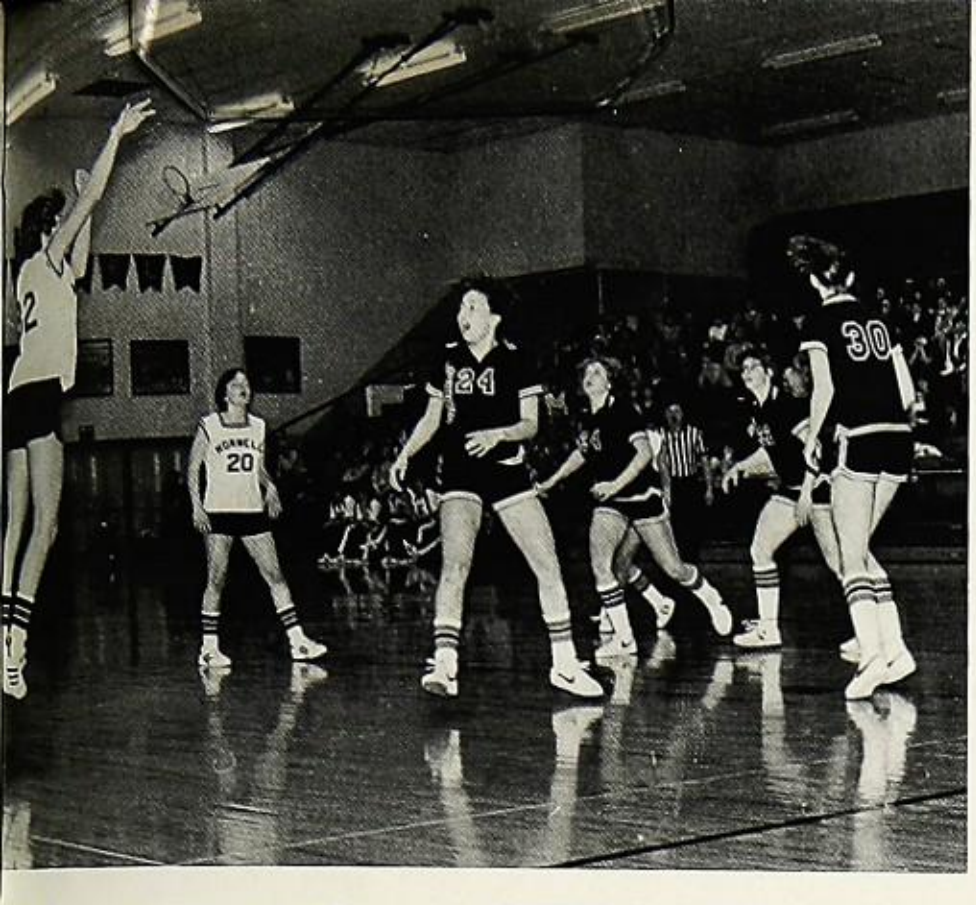
Season's record: 6-10

Grab it, steal it, take it away! The junior varsity players go for the ball.

Upward transportation. Denise Johnloz goes up for the basketball while Julie Dian waits to receive it.



Shoot for the hoop. Julie Dian aims for the basket, and Amy George anticipates its swish.

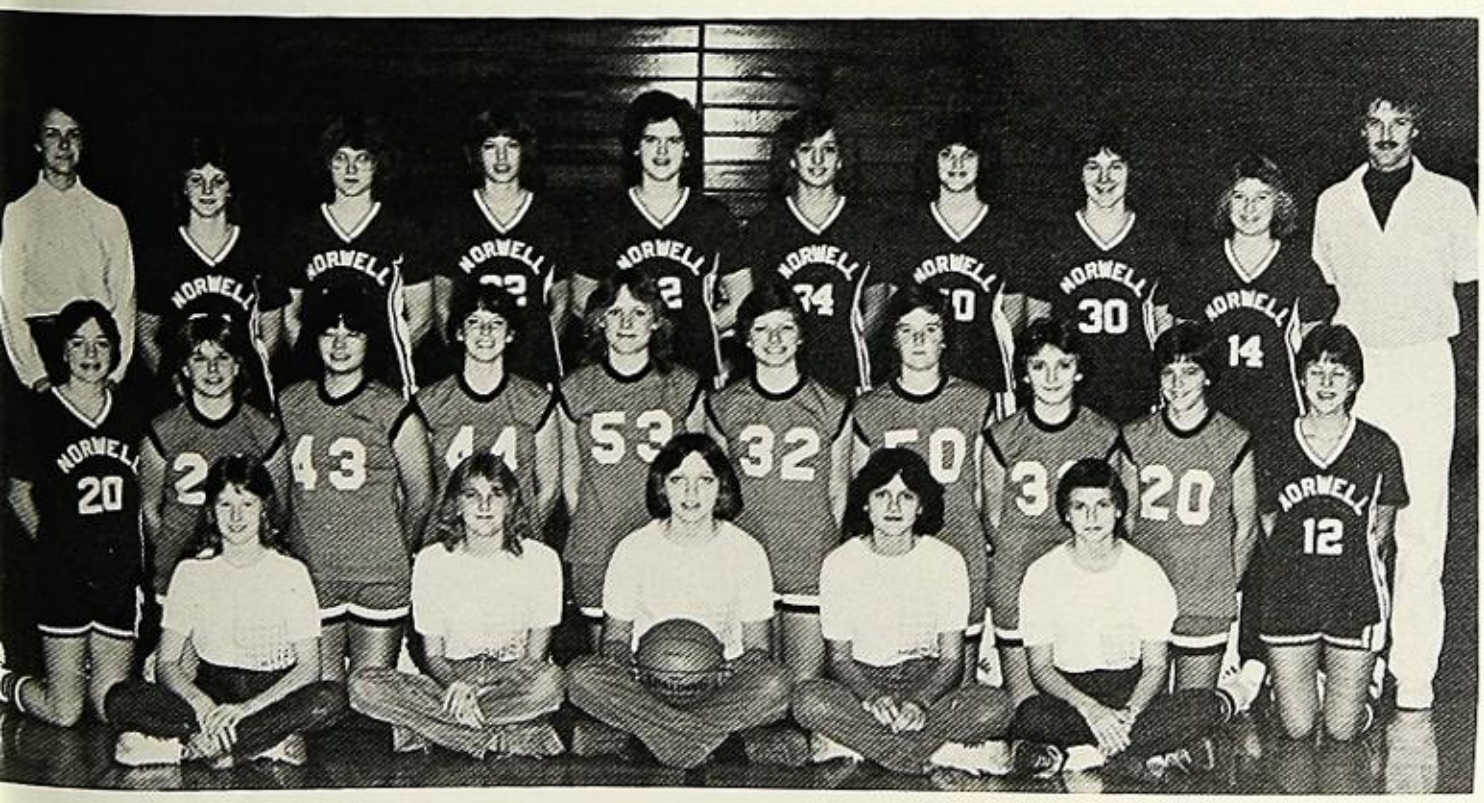


Hoping it hits the hoop. Junior Denise Johnloz goes off the ground for this one.

Go! Fight! Win! Coach Marshall and the junior varsity team discuss their strategy.

Don't stop. Hang tough. Coach Worden reassures her team during a time-out.

Where are you? Amy George looks for an open team member in the IHSAA Tourney game against South Adams.



Girls' Basketball Team. FRONT ROW: Trudie Bauermeister, Kris McBride, Ann Franke, Lisa Osborn, Dee Dee Wilson (managers). MIDDLE ROW: Amy George, Cheri Decker, Mika Kitahara, Tami Gerber, Brenda Hoffman, Chelli Brower, Dawn Palmer, Lori Johnson, Dawn Casselman, Deb Tonner. BACK ROW: Varsity Coach Terri Worden, Julie Burton, Tina Gray, Denise Johnloz, Gala Gerber, Julie Dian, Mary Land, Kathy Crozier, Stephanie Shilling, Junior Varsity Coach Peter Marshall.

Semistate, regional detectives

Watch out! The NHS detectives went into action. They gathered all the available information and set their strategy to outwit their opponents.

The mighty Knights put on their disguises and made sure of each move. The grapplers, coached by Mr. Jim Cobble and Mr. Mike Harter, lost a few more matches than they wanted to, ending their season with a record of four wins and six losses.

One detective went all out. He caught up with each victim, smashing the opponent's dream of victory. Truques Polderman, the all-out detective, finished the regular season with an 18-0 win-loss record. He traveled on to the regionals at Snyder, placing second. For the second year in a row, he went on to semistate at North Side and placed fifth. He was also an ACAC champion. "I'm proud of the individual efforts that everybody accomplished and the placement in the conference," said Polderman.

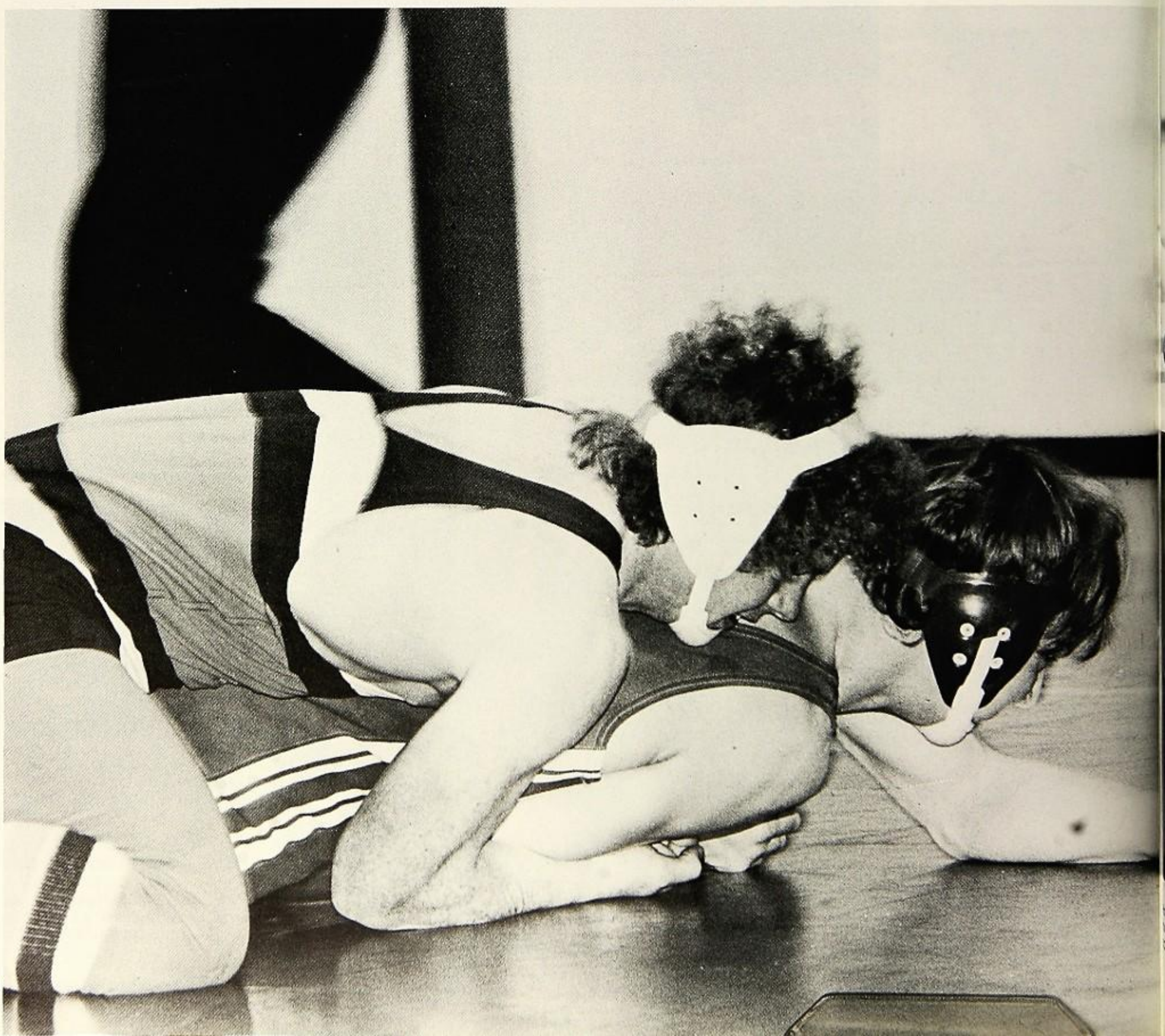
Kurt DeLong and Craig Plummer, also regional contestants, and Doug McDowell all placed second in their respective classes at the conference meet.

Dave Fillers broke a school record by finding his victim, making the right move, and pinning him in 10 seconds.

"They worked hard and improved their performance level greatly," said Coach Cobble.

Plummer commented, "I felt we did a lot better than anyone would have predicted at the beginning of the year. The guys really worked hard to become the best that was possible for them. Even though the team was small in number, it was very big in determination."

Each detective gave it his best shot, coming in from behind and grappling for a win.



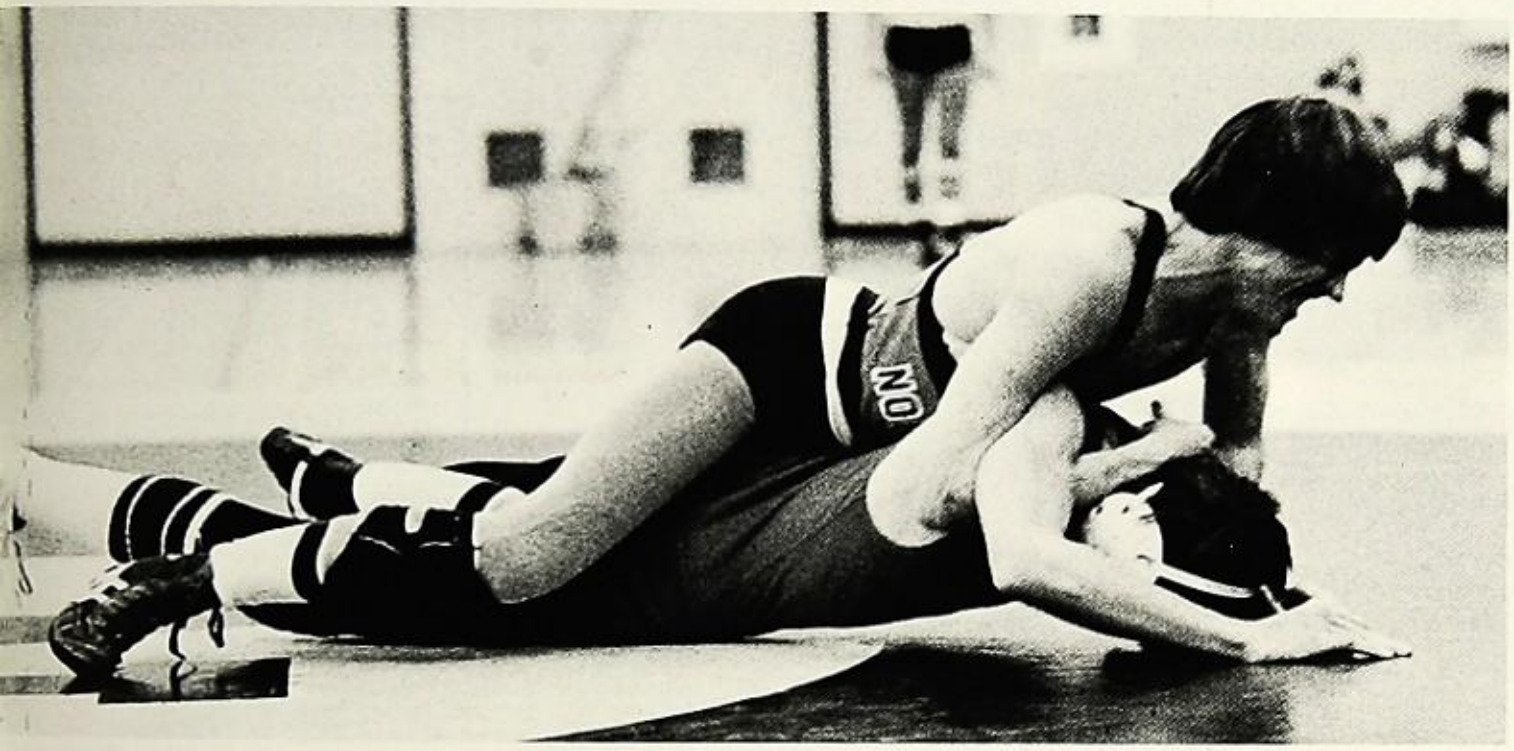
Wrestling Team. FRONT ROW: Truques Polderman, Mike Connett, Scott Hoffacker, Doug McDowell, Dixen Polderman, Ted Harber, Rob Graham, Kurt DeLong, Craig Plummer, Fred Perrin, Dave Fillers, Dean Ploughe. MIDDLE ROW: Jody Connett, Brian Sumwalt, Steve Austin, Randy Frauhiger, Billy Johnson, Darrin Werling, Kevin Frauhiger, Mike Yaney, Brad Kinsey, Darol Harshman. BACK ROW: Coach Mike Harter, Jeff Ellis (manager), Rich Stauffer, Kent Faus, Todd Gaskill, Doug Steffen, Mike Wicks, Coach Jim Cobble. NOT PICTURED: Todd Deckard, Alfonso Guzman.

1980-'81 Wrestling

Norwell		Opponent
39	South Adams	19
36	Churubusco	26
26	Homestead	39
21	Woodlan	37
41	Heritage	23
23	Carroll	40
5th	Manchester Invitational	
27	Bluffton	33
25	Blackford	43
12	Adams Central	55
5th	New Haven Tournament	
40	Leo	21
3rd	Conference	
8th	Regional	

Season's record: 4-6

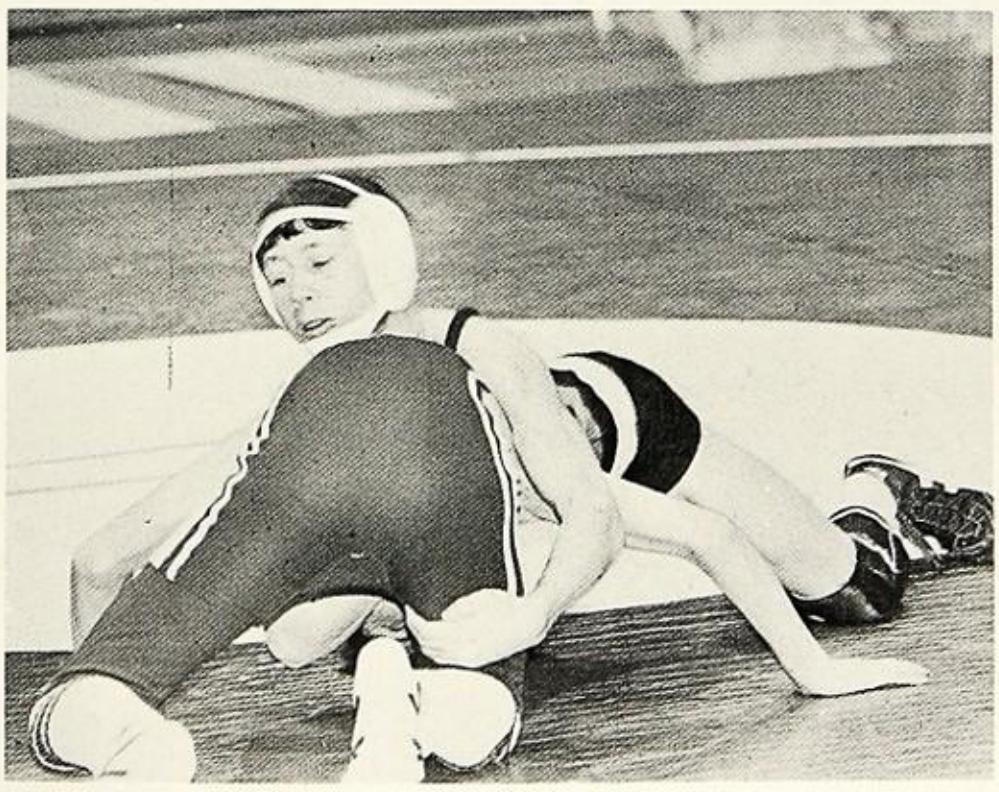
Grasping grappler. Sophomore Darrin Werling works for a pin.



Strength and determination keep Rob Graham going in a match against Bluffton.

Hold tight. Making sure of his next move, Fred Perrin puts a hold on his opponent.

Practice, practice, practice. Craig Plummer and Rob Graham prepare for their next match.



Semistate! Truques Polderman goes for one of his 18 regular season wins.

Gymnastics Team. FRONT ROW: Amy Brane (manager), Marilyn Bolinger, Stasi Decker, Juli Mossburg, Brenda Bauermeister, Julie Hedges, Julie Gibson, Becky Mankey. BACK ROW: Coach Vickee Herron, Kim Lopshire (manager), Robin Fisher, Jenny Cupp, LuAnn Hiday, Bridget Henry, Bonnie Bryant, Sheri Reeves, Kelly Jehl.

Three to get ready, and four to go. Junior Juli Mossburg concentrates on the rest of her routine.

A mission accomplished

Five, four, three, two, one, BLAST OFF!

The gymnastics team prepared for the launch by setting and attaining personal and team goals.

After rebuilding this mighty crew, some of those personal goals were broken. For the intermediate team, Bridget Henry vaulted her way to a 9.0, Kelly Jehl scored an 8.7 in her routine on the bars, and Bonnie Bryant tied last year's record in the floor exercise, scoring an 8.6. Julie Hedges took the record for the optional team by scoring an 8.0 on the vault. Both teams also established new team scores.

Early in the takeoff, ailments began to show. The flu hit; then physical problems, such as sprained ankles, came onto the screen. The girls stuck it out.

"They were a close team and they worked hard to accomplish their personal goals," said Coach Vickee Herron.

Bonnie Bryant also commented, "This year we were a lot closer. Because the team was close, you felt the other members were supportive."

Soon the crew was ready, ready to let the season roar, ready to "take off."

The optional team became the regular season champions and both teams were conference and sectional runner-ups.

Then. . . . then came the state meet. It was the first time Norwell had a representative at this meet. Sophomore Bridget Henry competed in the vaulting competition, scoring an 8.15. "I feel the team was really good. We got new routines and harder tricks' but I feel both teams did really well against the other schools," commented Henry.

Was their mission a success? "It was super," said Marilyn Bolinger. "We were a team more than we were last year."

Coach Herron also commented, "We had a highly successful season, ending up with a 9-3 record."

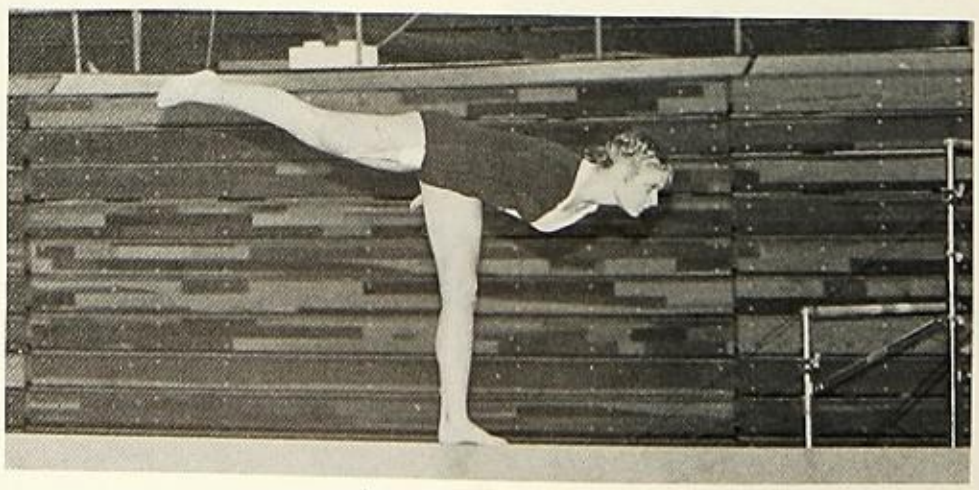
1981 Gymnastics

*I	O	I	O
Norwell		Bellmont	
65.5	47.35	46.5	53.2
Norwell		Elmhurst	
62.8	73.3	62.5	78.75
Norwell		South Side	
56.9	78.7	35.2	30.9
Norwell		Carroll	
59.3	76.05	57.0	64.7
Norwell		Heritage	
75.3	80.35	80.1	78.0
Norwell		South Adams	
69.6	78.6	63.7	56.25
Norwell		Wayne	
73.7	81.3	86.9	85.7
Norwell		Leo	
82.6	83.2	83.1	80.15
Norwell		Bluffton	
81.1	83.05	63.9	41.8
Norwell		Southern Wells	
85.2	87.0	55.8	28.6
Norwell		Huntington North	
82.2	84.2	80.85	74.25
Norwell		Woodlan	
88.6	88.25	48.8	51.45

Season's record: 9-3

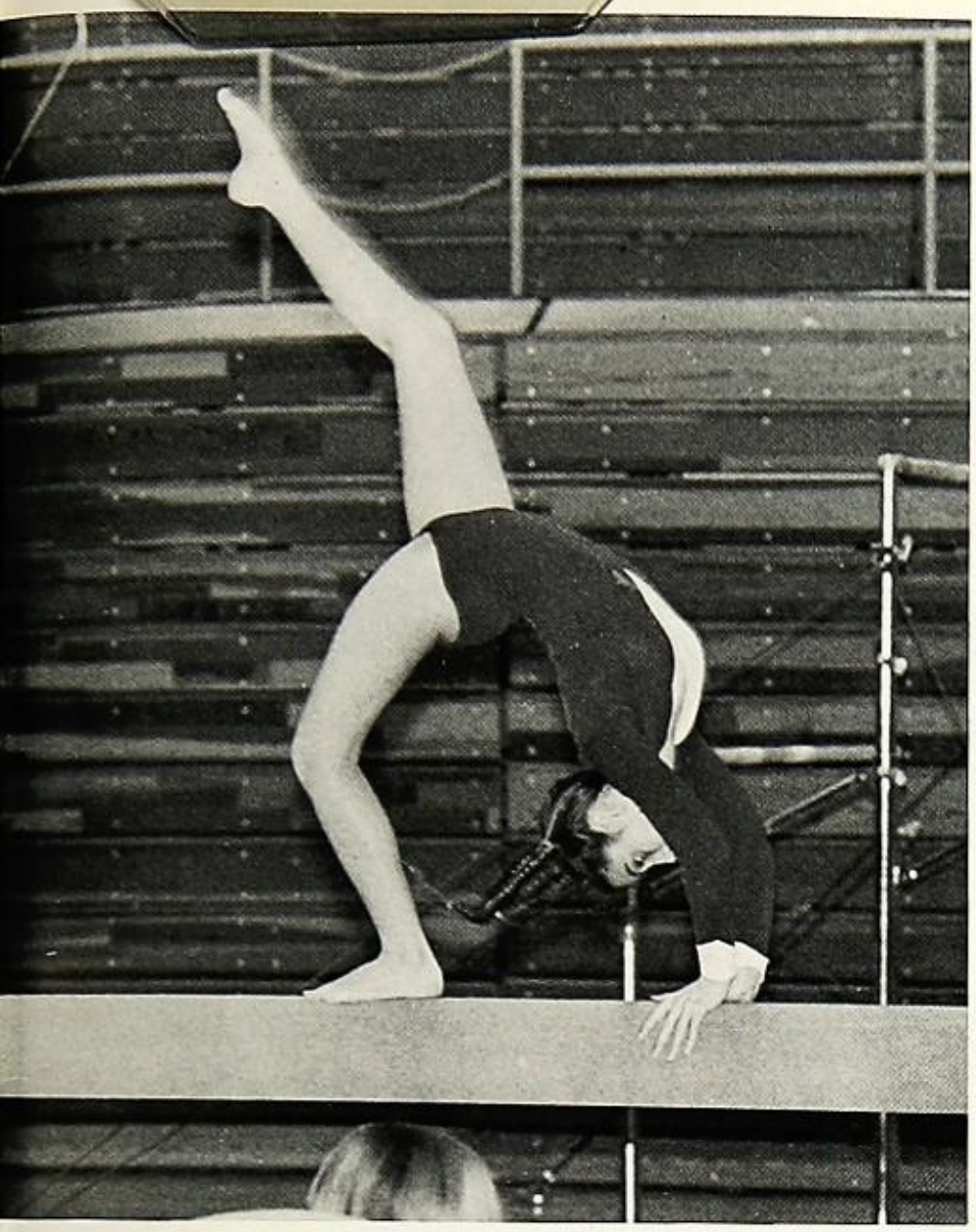
*Intermediate, Optional

State. Bridget Henry was the first Norwell gymnast to compete at the state meet.



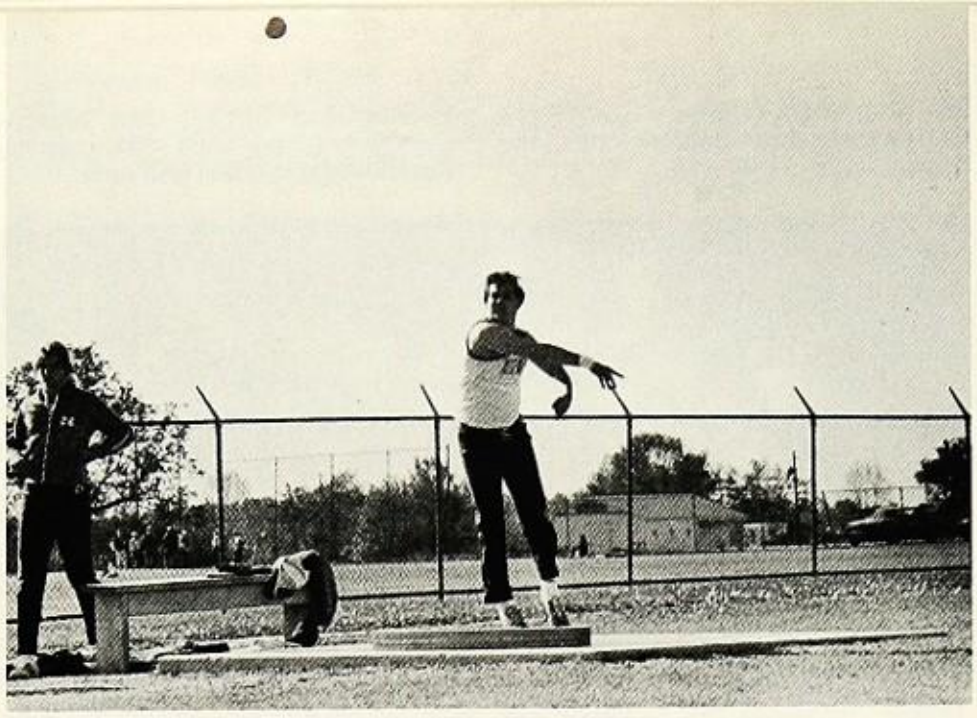
Swing into action. Sophomore Marilyn Bolinger moves through her routine on the uneven bars.

S-T-E-A-D-Y! Balance and precision keep freshman Robin Fisher on the balance beam.



A real back-bender. Sophomore Julie Gibson takes another look at the beam.

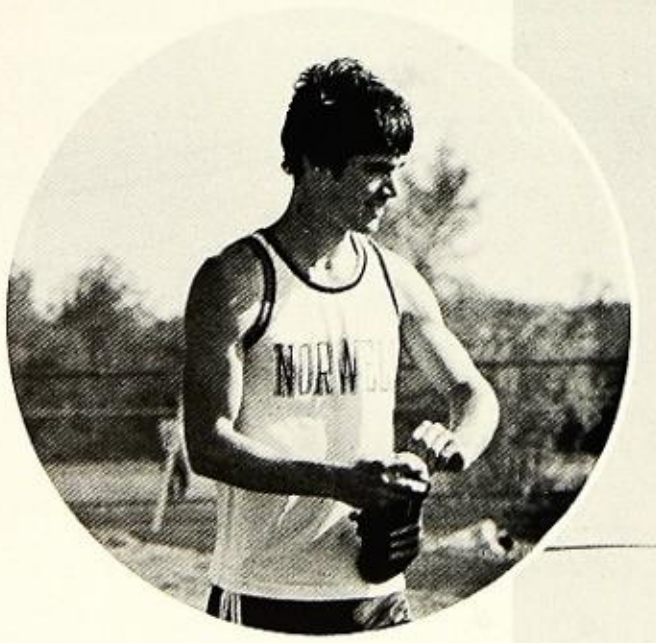
Twistin' and turnin'. Julie Hedges springs onto the vault. She had the best average in beam and vault.



Letting off steam. Senior Rick Woikel heaves the shot put 51 feet. Jerry Kumfer looks on.

Keep on chuggin'. Senior Stacy Hoffacker participates in a relay during a meet against Bluffton.

Striding with the stop watch. Bryant Lambert, Scott Steffen, and Stacy Schoeff keep in time.



Taking it easy. David Bradley takes a break after competing in the high jump.

With his back to the bar, David Bradley clears the high jump marker with ease.

In the midst of a storm. Juniors John Schnieders and Darren Bryan run the 1600-meter event at the conference meet. Helping clock the runners is Mr. Cobble.

On the right track

The boys' track team was headed in the right direction. Through sunshine and rain, the team left behind tracks of victory.

"We had no superstars. It was a team effort," said conductor Bob Milton. "As a team we started out as a locomotive, then built up the steam."

The locomotive rounded the first bend, the field events, with comfort and room to spare. Jerry Kumfer whirled the discus 150 feet, six inches, while Kent Somers chugged the shot put 51 feet. Neal Worden leaped 19 feet, three inches before coming to a halt in the sand box. Clearing six feet, four inches over the high jump bar, Dirk Bradburn added coal to the fire. Tom Dyson cleared 11 feet in the pole vault competition.

In order to round the second bend, the locomotive had to build up steam and power. The sprinters built up with "killer workouts," running four-minute miles. The distance runners practiced running the 3200 meter.

Among the locomotive's freight were four record breakers. Doug Martin broke the 110-meter high hurdles event by racing to a 14:7 finish. The 400-meter relay team consisting of Greg Griner, Scott Hoffacker, Doug Steffen, and Stacy Hoffacker clocked in with a 44.1 finish. Doug McDowell ended the 400-meter event with a time of 51.4. Ending the records was sophomore Chris Norrick, who glided through the 3200-meter event with a time of 9:35.2.

1981 Boys' Track

Norwell		Opponent
106	Bellmont	21
89	Bluffton	38
86	Homestead	41
4th	North Side Relays	
94	Woodlan	36½
	Carroll	25½
3rd	Goshen Relays	
93-	Heritage	41
	Southern Wells	25
2nd	Lime City Relays	
89	Leo	38
1st	South Adams Relays	
109	Churubusco	14
	Adams Central	35
1st	ACAC	
1st	Bi-county	
1st	Sectional	

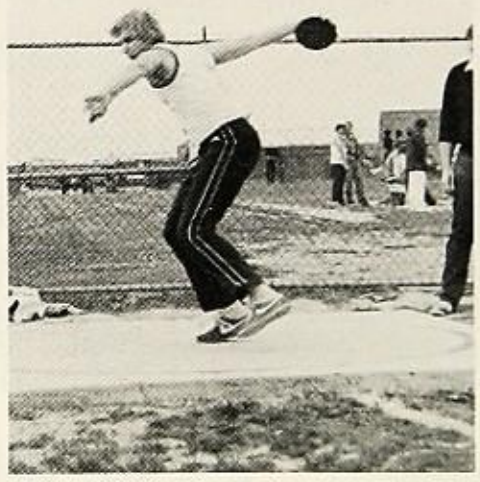
Season's Record: 10-0

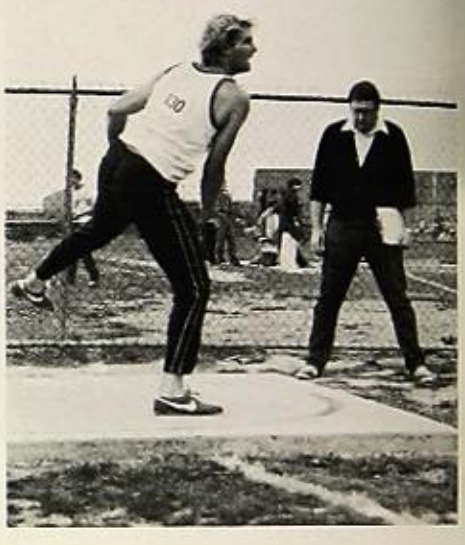
Enter, stage left. John Schnieders follows Doug McDowell to the finish.

High jumpin', back bending', smooth sailin'. Dirk Bradburn glides over the high jump bar.

Greased lightning. Senior Greg Griner races in the qualifying rounds of the conference.

Winding up, gaining power, releasing. While Jerry Kumfer sends the discus soaring, Mr. Moser stands by for stats. Jerry placed first in the conference meet with a throw of 150 feet, six inches.



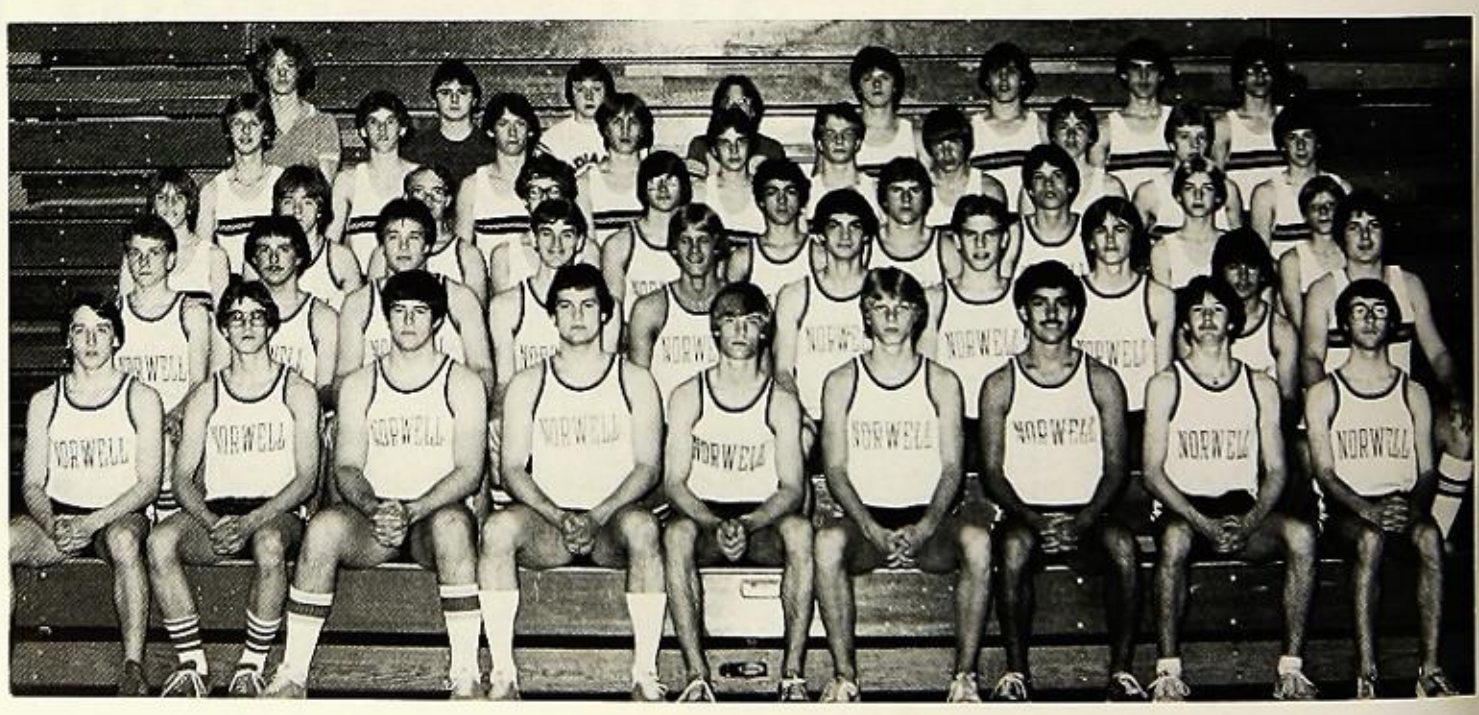


On the right track

Other outstanding performances came from Stacy Hoffacker in the 100 meter, 10.9; Chris Norrick in the 1600 meter, 4:25.2; Doug Steffen in the low hurdles, 39.4; Vincent Gerber in the 800 meter, 2:01.6; Stacy Hoffacker in the 200 meter, 22.0; the team of Vincent Gerber, Darren Bryan, Doug McDowell and Doug Steffen in the 1600-meter relay, 3:31.8, and the team of Darren Bryan, Doug McDowell, Chris Norrick, and John Schnieders in the 3200-meter relay, 8:23.4.

The locomotive came to the straight-away ahead of schedule, waiting for another train to challenge it.

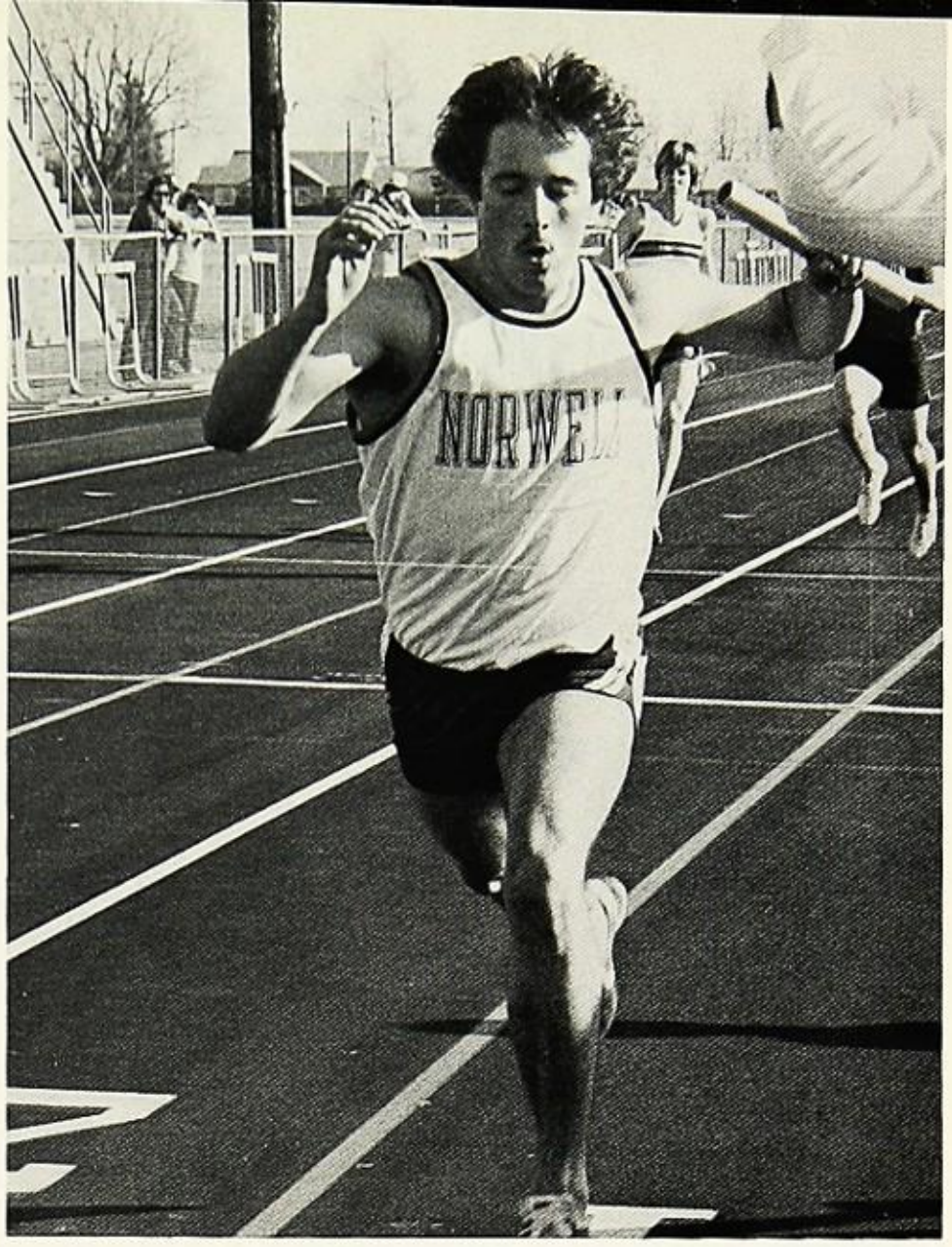
Conductor Milton's locomotive ended its season as ACAC and sectional champions, and had a record of 10 wins and zero losses.



Boys' Track Team. FRONT ROW: Doug McDowell, Vincent Gerber, Kent Somers, Rick Weikel, Michael Hofmann, Greg Griner, Stacy Hoffacker, Stacy Schoeff, John Schnieders. SECOND ROW: Chris Norrick, Doug Steffen, Neal Worden, Darren Bryan, Dirk Bradburn, David Bradley, Doug Martin, Lanny Tillman, Scott Hoffacker, Mike Witte. THIRD ROW: Scott Griner, Mike Yaney, Dixen Polderman, Tim Roberts, Todd Williams, Barry Schnieders, Todd Graft, Bret Archbold, Brent Meyer, Bryant Lambert. FOURTH ROW: Shawn Sliger, Craig Johnloz, Chris Earhart, Dallas Martin, Steve Kitchin, Mark Hilsmier, Chris Kleinknight, Curt Franke, Joel Schumacher, Scott Steffen. BACK ROW: Todd Bate, Rick Johnson, Brian Scheumann, Mike Connet (managers), Steve Scheckel, Tom Dyson, Tracy Davidson, Tracey Roth. NOT PICTURED: John Earnest, Jody Connet, Jerry Kumfer, Larry Lesh (manager), Kenny Frauhiger, Coach Bob Milton.

Takin' it to the streets. Neal Wordon, Michael Hofmann, and Mike Yaney glide to the finish.

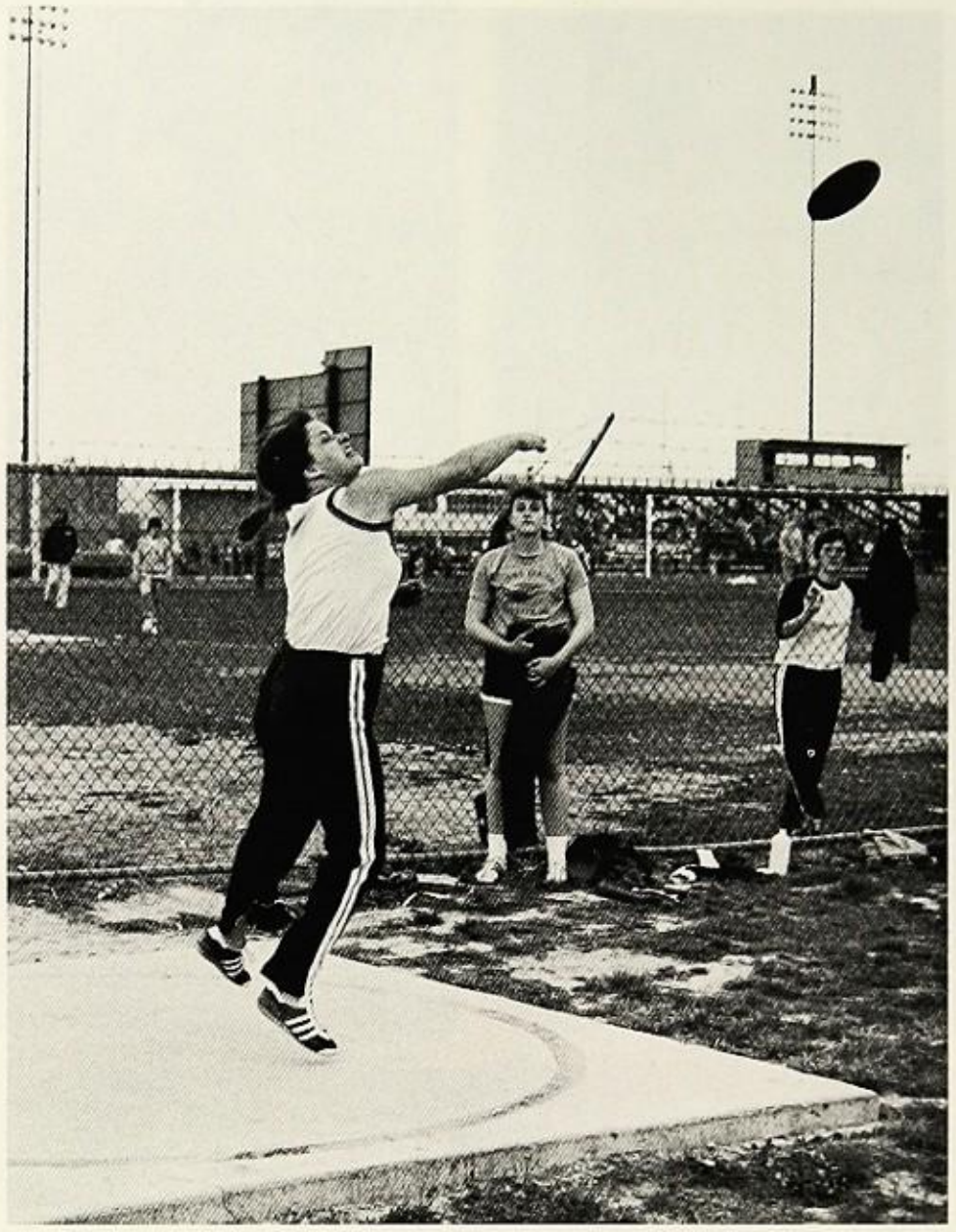
To the finish line. Junior Doug Steffen breaks the tape in a meet against Bluffton.



Jumpin' jiminy. Junior Doug Martin placed first in the 110-meter hurdles competition during the first conference meet held at Norwell.

Flying saucer? No, it's Ann Strehler throwing the discuss for another win at the Adams Central meet.

Flying for first. Tonya DeBolt stretches her way toward the string to catch her win.



1981 Girls' Track

Norwell		Opponent
58	Bluffton	47
57	Churubusco	48
37	South Side	65
37	South Adams	32
63	Woodlan	55
63	Southern Wells	16
49	Heritage	42½
49	Adams Central	42½
52	Carroll	65
52	Leo	17
25	Harding	69
25	Woodlan	40
3rd	ACAC	
4th	Sectional	

Season's record: 8-4

How do you spell relief? W-I-N-N-I-N-G! Lori Van Meter breaks the string for another victory.

Will and work

The girls' track team ended the season with an 8-4 record.

"We had many talented seniors this year who held the team together," commented Coach Gary Scott. "There were more students than ever this year, which benefited us greatly."

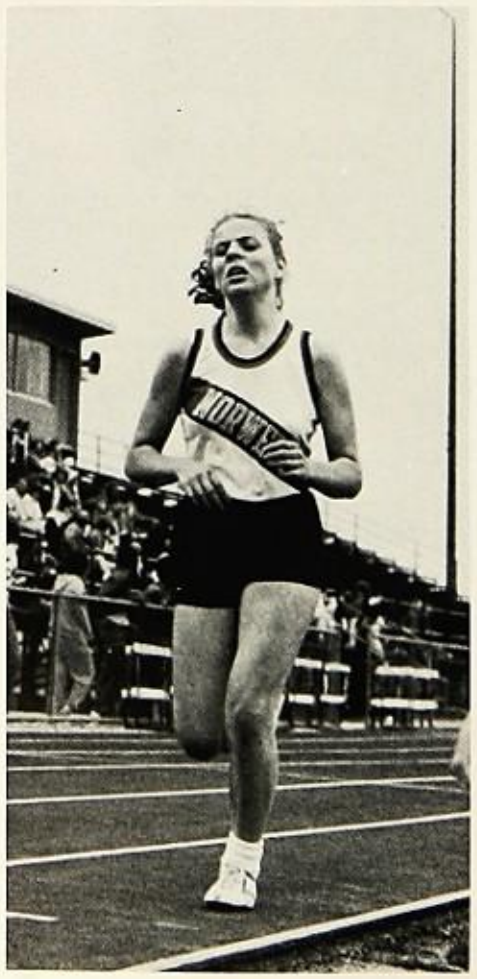
The team consisted of three seniors, three juniors and the rest sophomores and freshmen.

"A very young team, yes, but we ran very well," said Coach Scott. "All you can ask for is to run close to your potential, and we did just that."

The team placed third at the conference meet and second overall in the conference. Eleven people qualified for sectional, which made the team beam with excitement.

Lori Van Meter said, "We were a close team, and everyone worked hard. That's what it takes to make the season fun and successful. We had a lot of girls going out for track this year. That was good for the team."

Coach Scott commented, "We lacked depth, but we were strong in other areas that helped us along. That and being the close team that we were are the things that count to make a good team."



Left the others behind. JoAnn Frauhiger runs her way ahead to capture first place against Bluffton.

The racing relay 500. Tonya DeBolt drives the baton home after Jeanette Eisaman hands off to her.

Through the air with the greatest of ease. Kim Lopshire jumps her way into first place.

Girls' Track Team. FRONT ROW: Rhonda Scheckel (manager), Sarah Somers, Lori Van Meter, Tonya Baumgardner, Susan Nahrwold, Ann Strehler, Mika Kitahara, Mihoko Horie, Leticia Lopez, Dawn Werling (manager). SECOND ROW: Stasi Decker, Bridget Henry, Sally Brindle, Kelly Scott, Kim Lopshire, Dawn Palmer, Jeanette Eisaman, Tina Gray, Pamela Akin (manager). BACK ROW: Miss Karen Irwin (assistant coach), Maria Nieves, JoAnn Frauhiger, Wendi Hoover, Jana Dafforn, Joy McAfee, Chelli Brower, Debbie Meek, Mindy Osborn, Lori Johnson, Coach Gary Scott.

Varsity Baseball Team. FRONT ROW: Greg McBride, Scott Scherer, Matt Kinzer, Jeff Miller, Greg Van Meter, Jeff Carnes. SECOND ROW: Kraig Biberstein, Eric Milholland, Kerry Gerber, Jann McAfee, Fred Perrin, Kent Maggard, Rick Hoopingarner. BACK ROW: Coach Jerry Lewis, Kent Faus (manager), Mick Lewis, Ron Hostetter, Mike Gray, Mr. Stan Reed (assistant coach).

Reserve Baseball Team. FRONT ROW: Karl Reber, Brian Sumwalt, Lex Hunter, Alan Macklin, Randy Frauhiger, Kyle Bailey. SECOND ROW: Coach Stan Reed, Jeff Shelton, Pat Dunnuck, Dave Penrod, Rob Williams. BACK ROW: Darren Nusbaum, David Rosenfeld, Kevin Morris, Bruce Kline, Jim Patten, Joe Rice (manager).

Pitching Perfection

Experience. It paid off for this team. Three seniors topped the baseball team with their individual performances. Matt Kinzer, one of Indiana's top pitchers, allowed only four earned runs, and struck out 122 batters out of 64 innings. He was a consistent pitcher, striking out an average of two batters an inning; he also pitched two no-hitters during the season. Kinzer ended his season with a 7-1 record, and was chosen to the *Journal-Gazette* All-Area Team.

Jeff Miller led the batting averages with .293. He also had the most hits with 17, and got on base 34 times.

Greg Van Meter came in with 12 runs scored, nine stolen bases, 18 walks, and he got on base 32 times.

Two strong points for this team were the pitching staff and the defense. Four members of the cage team could account for the victories. Those four belonged to the pitching staff. Led by Kinzer, Ron Hostetter, Kent Maggard, and Kerry Gerber also contributed to the victories.

Another strong point was the defense. "Our defense was consistent," said Coach Jerry Lewis. "If we had a weakness, it was our inability to score runs."

Kinzer, Van Meter, and Rick Hoopingarner were chosen as all-conference performers.

"We got better as the year went on," said Coach Lewis. "We went undefeated into the conference, and beat two state-ranked teams, Huntington and Northrop. We had a good chance to win the conference, and we were a leading contender to win the sectional."

Coach Lewis' team made it to the sectional. They defeated Adams Central in the semi-finals, 3-2, but were defeated by South Adams in the championship game, 0-1. The team ended the season with a 13-7 regular season record.

1981 Varsity Baseball

Norwell		Opponent
16	Southern Wells	6
2	Homestead	0
0	Bellmont	6
0	South Adams	6
14	Woodlan	0
1	Harding	5
4	Adams Central	3
10	Churubusco	0
0	Bishop Luers	5
3	Blackford	7
1	Heritage	0
4	Carroll	1
3	Leo	2
3	Elmhurst	4
11	Southern Wells	0
2	Wayne	6
4	Huntington	3
4	Northrop	2
runner-up *Sectional:*		
3	*Adams Central*	2
0	*South Adams*	1

Season's Record: 13-7

1981 Junior Varsity Baseball

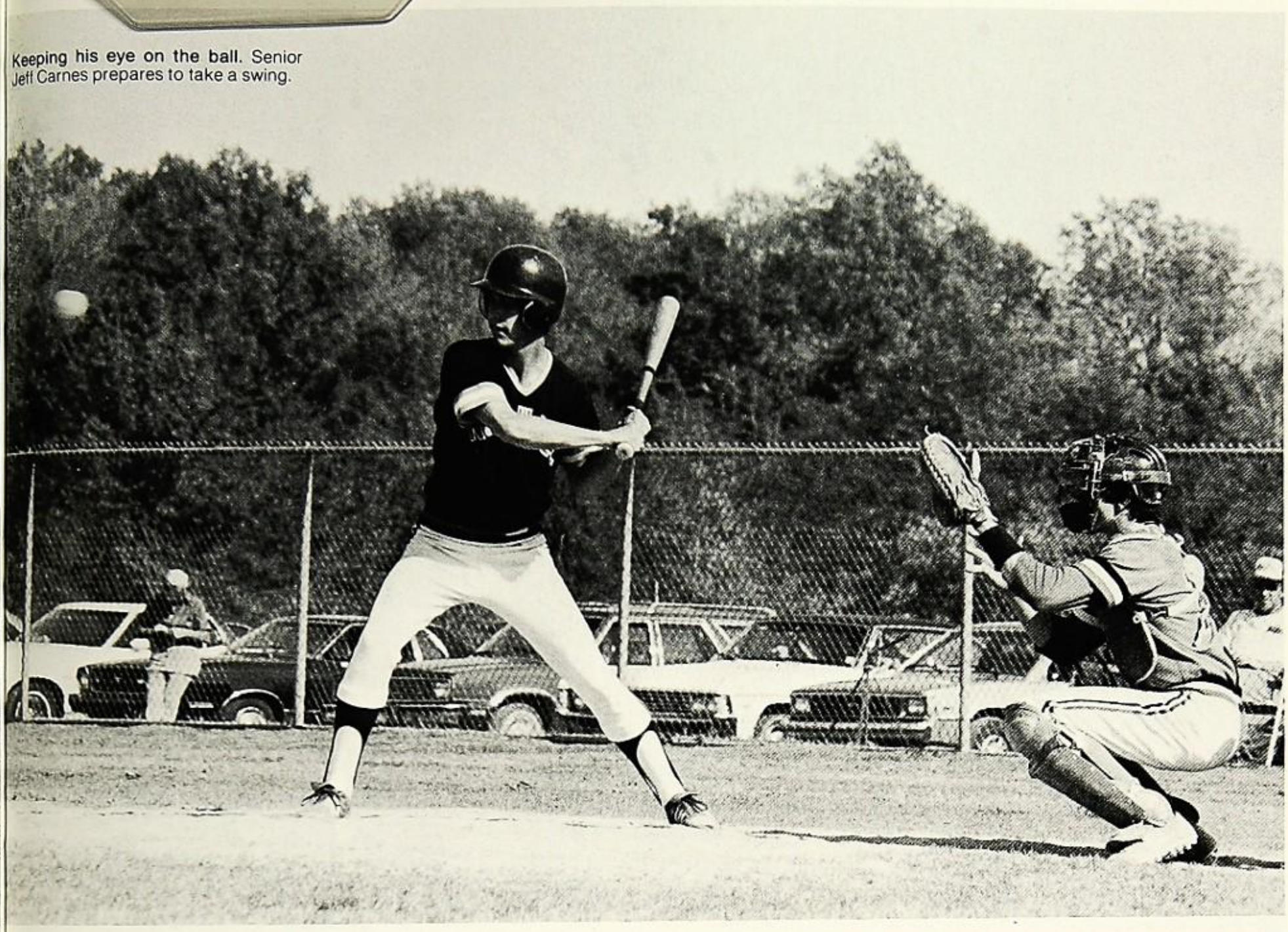
Norwell		Opponent
13	Harding	2
5	Homestead	2
1	Adams Central	0
9	Heritage	2
3	Bellmont	6
0	South Adams	5

Season's record: 4-2

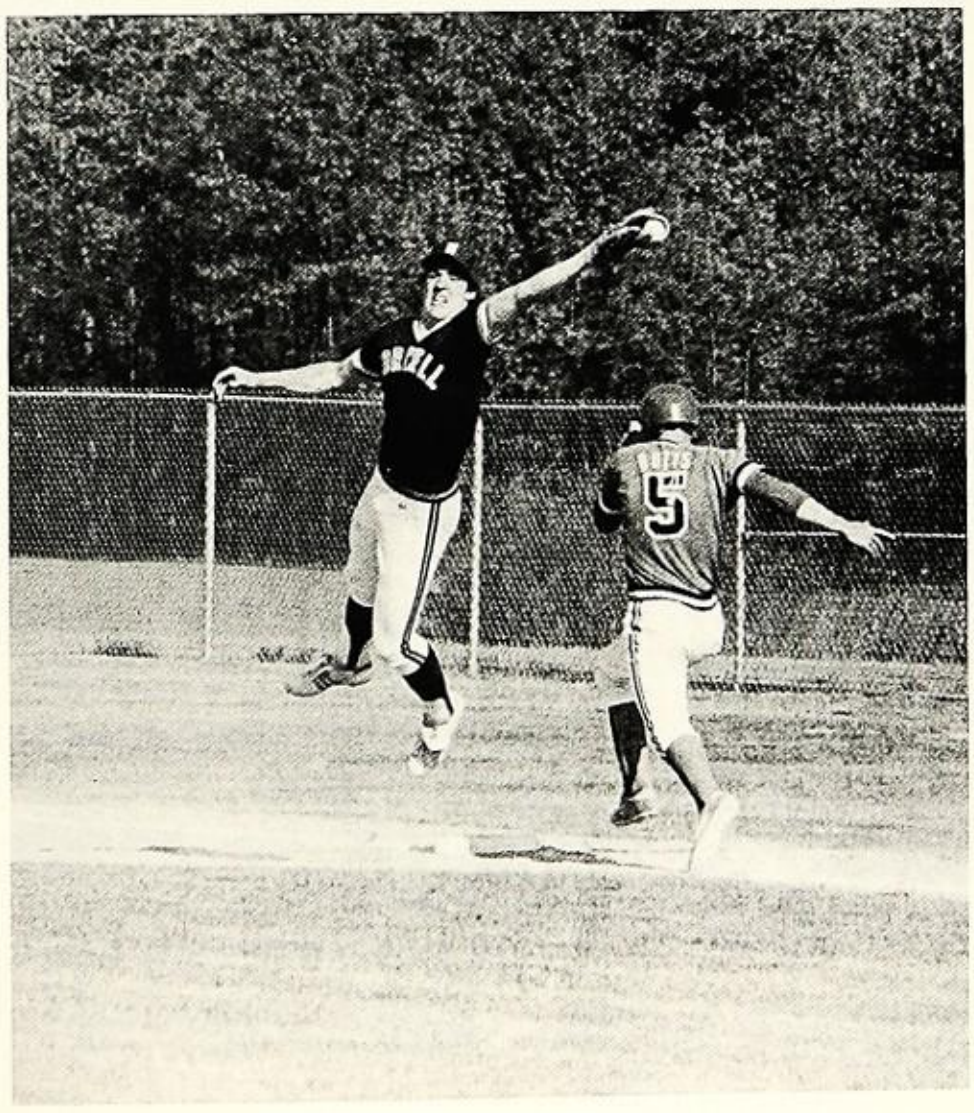
Group rates? With a record of 13-7, this group certainly does rate.

Norwell's best. Matt Kinzer attempts to strike out a Huntington opponent. Professional scouts had their eyes on Kinzer throughout the season.

Keeping his eye on the ball. Senior Jeff Carnes prepares to take a swing.



"Take another one, Greg." Coach Lewis sends Greg Van Meter on to home plate.



Stretch. In an attempt to help "out" the other team, Jeff Miller keeps the ball from getting by.

Two-handed killer. Jeannie Stauffer mightily returns the ball to a Bluffton opponent.

Dale delivery. Jill Dale quickly sends back the ball for a deserved point.

Smashing season

Whamo! Sophomore Linda Dunwiddie discourages her Bluffton opponent with a powerful return.

1981 Girls' Varsity Tennis

Norwell	Opponent	
6	South Adams	1
5	Elmhurst	1
3	South Side	4
5	Adams Central	5
7	South Adams	0
5	Bluffton	2
5	Leo	2
5	Bellmont	2
3	Huntington North	4
5	Bellmont	2
3	Wayne	4

Season's record: 8-3

Girls' Junior Varsity Tennis

Norwell	Opponent	
3	Elmhurst	1
1	South Side	2
2	Adams Central	1
7	South Adams	0
3	Bluffton	0
3	Leo	1
0	Bellmont	5
2	Huntington North	5
0	Bellmont	3
1	Wayne	3

Season's record: 5-5

Dashing Dian. Julie Dian uses dazzling footwork to smash back a return from her opponent.

The girls' tennis team ended the year with an 8-3 winning season for the varsity and a 5-5 season for the junior varsity.

Coach Terri Worden commented, "We had a great loss of seniors from last year to begin our season. I was really impressed with how our season went, though, since we were so young and inexperienced."

Linda Dunwiddie played No. 1 singles for the Knights and had an ending season of 5-5-1.

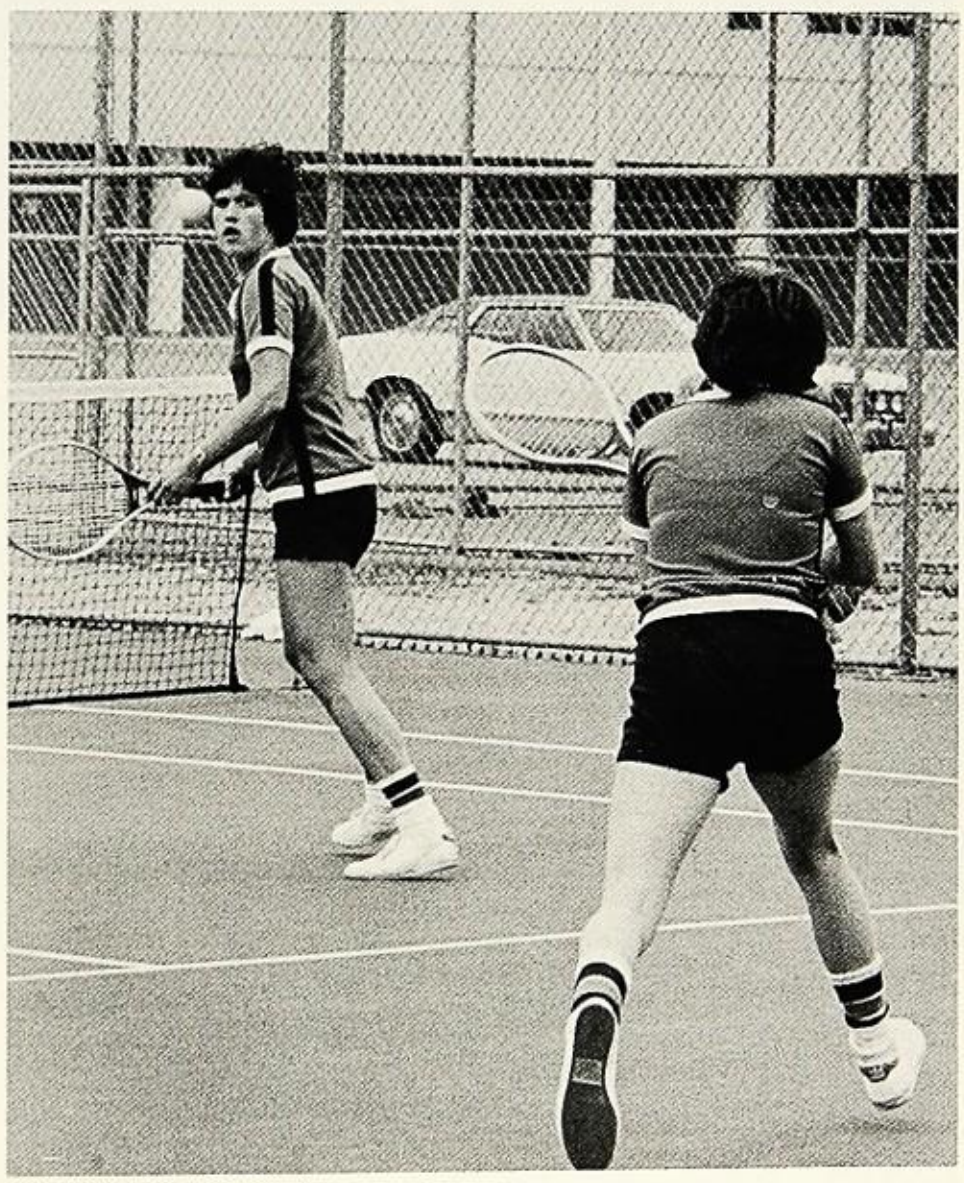
"It was a fun season, this being my first year," commented Linda. "We all were relatively new, though."

"Five out of the sixteen had never played on the team before, so it was a growing year," said Coach Worden. "Even though the weather was frustrating, this was one of the most fun years I've ever coached. We worked not only individually, but also as a team, and that's what counts."

"I thought that the season went real well," said Cheryl Crellin. "Togetherness on the team, and the willingness to go out and achieve our goals to win, somehow made us a fairly good team."

The Knights played as aggressively as they could throughout their season, making it one of the best for Norwell to be proud of.

Girls' Tennis Team. FRONT ROW: Billi Frauhiger, Jill Dale, Julie Dian, Linda Dunwiddie, Alice Bradley, Jeannie Stauffer, Pam Fisher, Cheryl Crellin. BACK ROW: Tonya Slater, Julie Burton, Amy George, Tami Gerber, Sherri Allen, Donna Thompson, Gala Gerber, Stephanie Shilling. NOT PICTURED: Coach Terri Worden.



Double trouble. Gala Gerber and Amy George make it tough for the Bluffton doubles team to score in this match.

Shots up to par

"*Happy* wasn't the word. I was *excited* about this golf season!" said Coach Mike Gilbert. "We broke the school record, plus individually the players did real well."

The season ended 13-1 for a new school record.

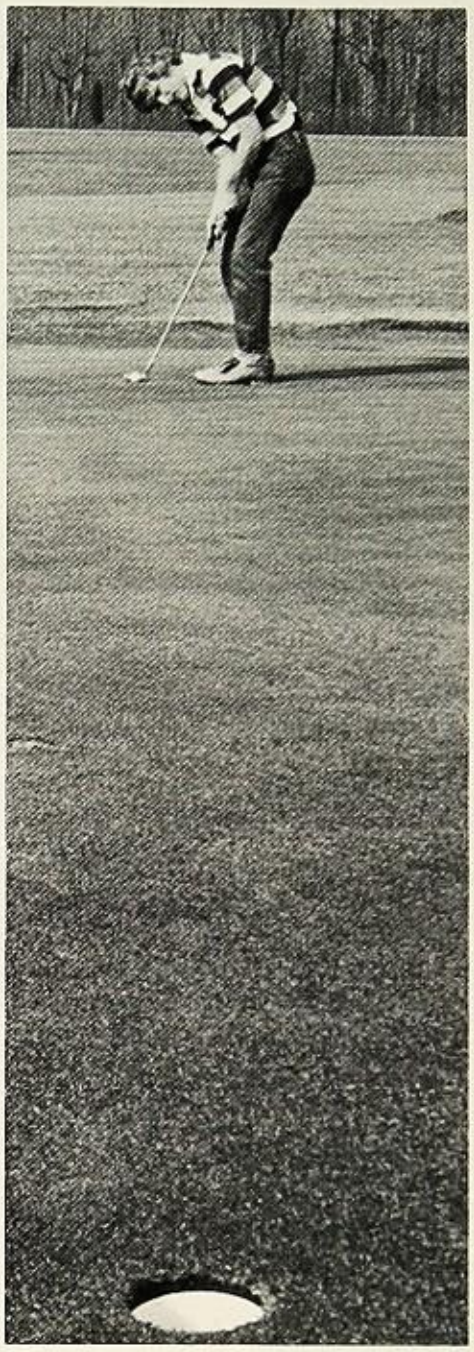
That wasn't the only record that was set. Averaging 38.5 points per game, Chip Mann broke the record he set his freshman year.

"It was a fun season and I felt that everyone shot their best," commented Mann. "I was real excited about the way things went, and I know the coach was too."

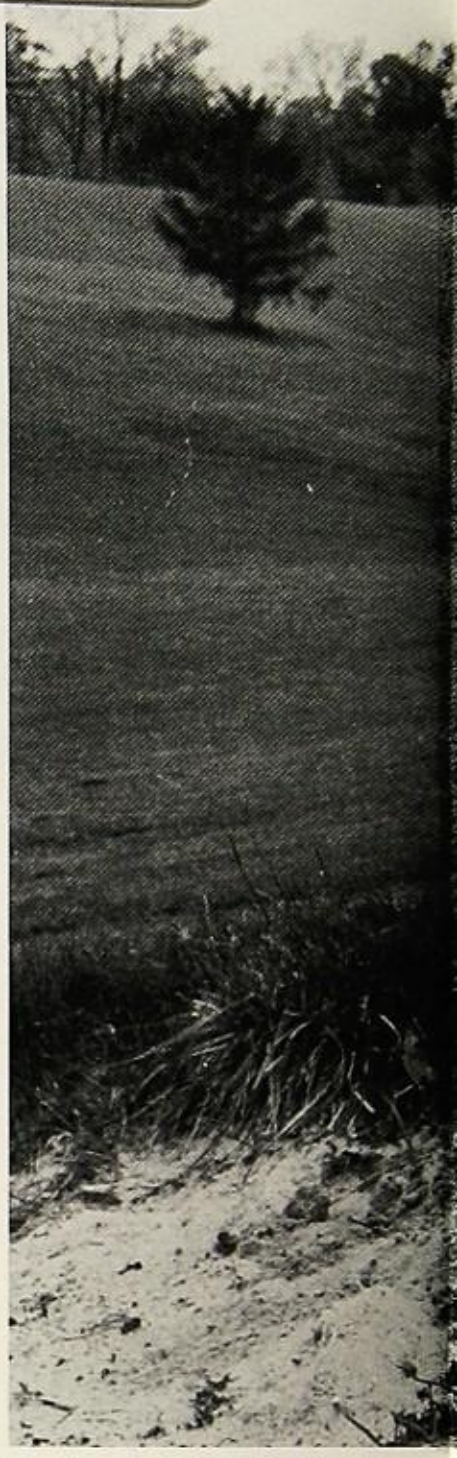
"We hit our goals by placing third at Richmond Invitational and at ACAC, taking second at sectional, and winning the bi-county championship," said Coach Gilbert.

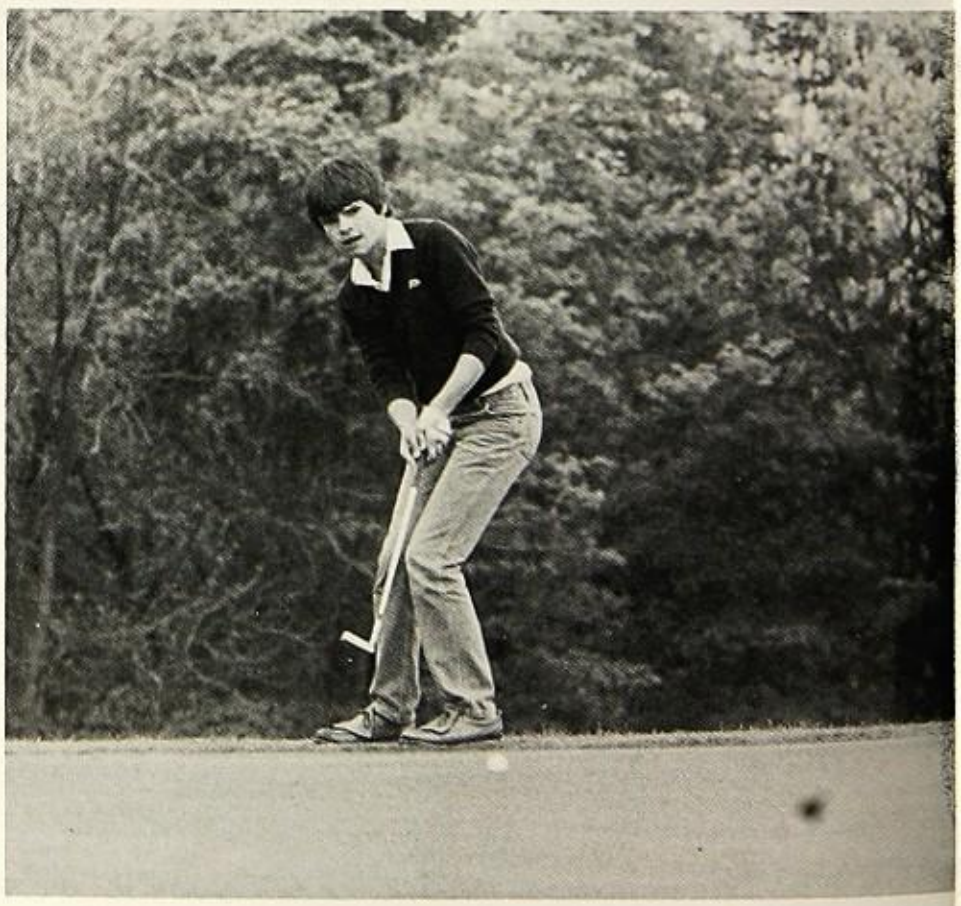
"The season ended just like I hoped it would. Everyone did as best individually as they could, and that's a terrific way to end the season," he added. "They can all be very proud of their season. I guess you can say they shot up to par."

Outdoor pool. To help relieve tension, Todd Walton and Scott DeHoff take time out for some center action fun on the green.



An imaginary line. Andrew Antrim studies carefully as he aims for the hole.





Going for the glory. Bruce Imel knocks one to the hole for a nice shot against Carroll.

Puckered for a putt. Dan Fahl gets the ball rolling against Southern Wells for a fine shot.

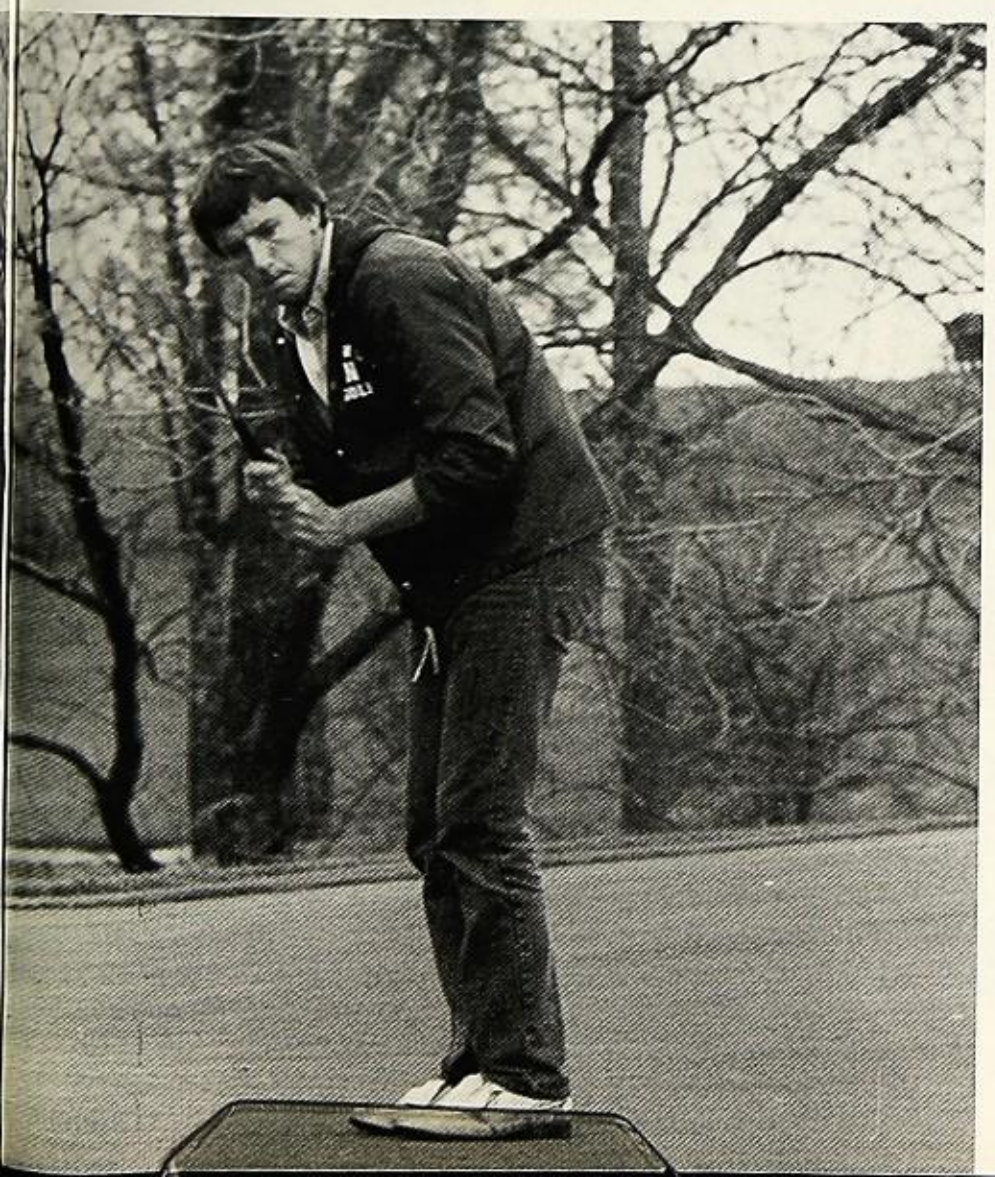
It's the sand, Mann! Chip Mann sprinkles his talent on the golf course at a Carroll match.

1981 Golf

Norwell		Opponent
154	Bluffton	179
166	South Side	177
168	Bellmont	174
151	Churubusco	174
154	Woodlan	166
166	South Adams	185
160	Adams Central	181
152	Heritage	167
3rd	Richmond Invitational	
154	Carroll	150
154	Southern Wells	176
160	Huntington	173
160	Leo	162
164	Elmhurst	185
162	Blackford	168
3rd	ACAC	
1st	Bi-county	
2nd	Sectional	

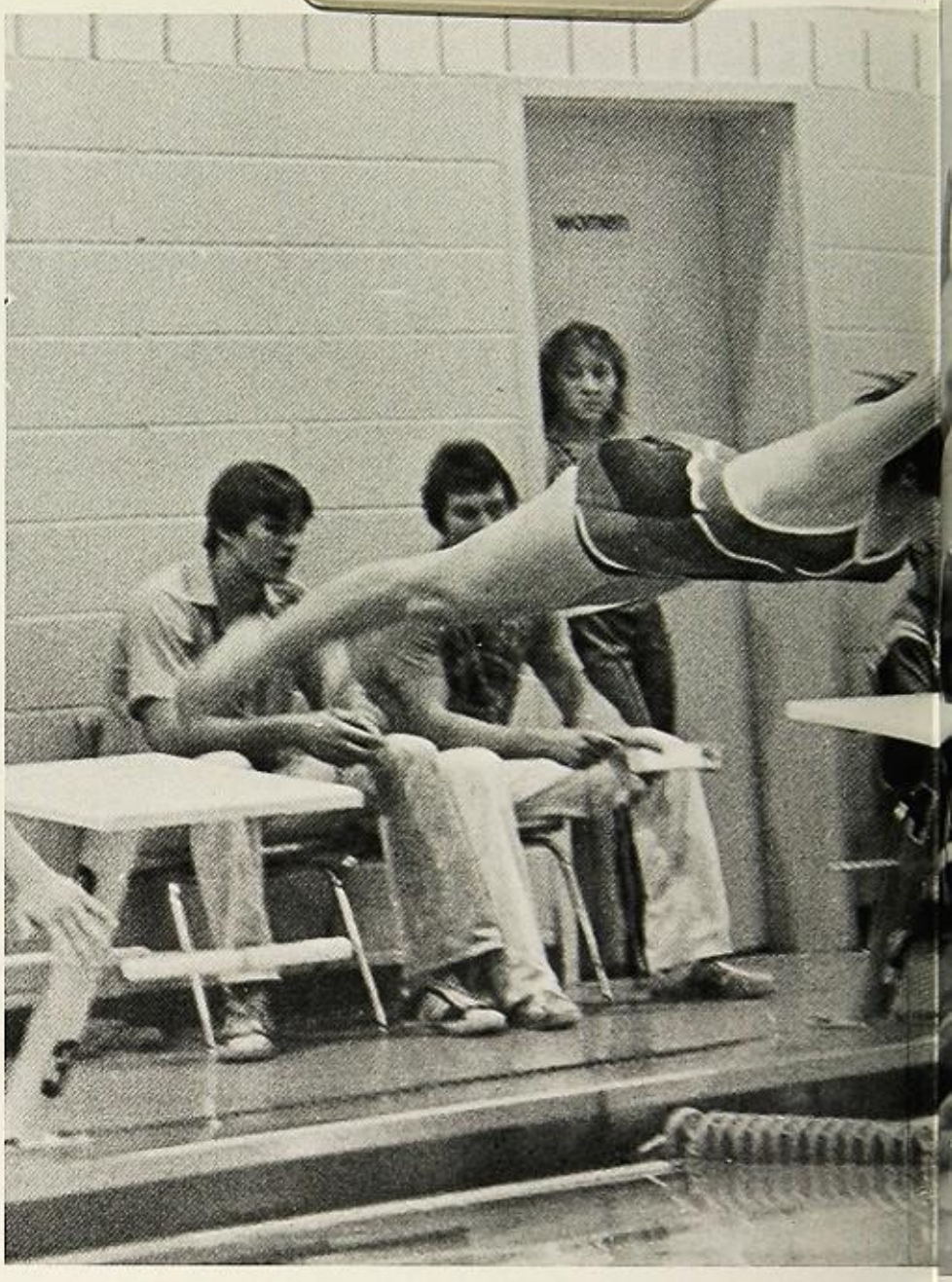
Season's record: 13-1

Killer Keith. Keith Woodward drives a ball toward the green while Greg Norris looks on.



Varsity Golf Team. FRONT ROW: Tab Walton, Dan Fahl, Scott DeHoff, Andrew Antrim, Chip Mann, Todd Walton. *J.V. Golf Team.* BACK ROW: Doug Scherer (manager), Bruce Imel, Greg Norris, Keith Woodward, Kirk Roberts, Tyler Greene, Richard Baxter (manager). NOT PICTURED: Coach Mike Gilbert.

Now awaiting another turn



Bang! They're off! They have begun the race of endurance and time. The Knights discovered a new sport, a sport many people think of as a frolicking game. A year ago, 126 kids tried out for an exhibition meet. Out of those 126, only close to five returned for the regular swim team program. The Knights had a sinking season, but they swam to their potential and always looked for improvement.

"We did better as a first-year team than other teams did their first year," said Coach Dennis Chambers. "We came a long way, but we have a long way to go."

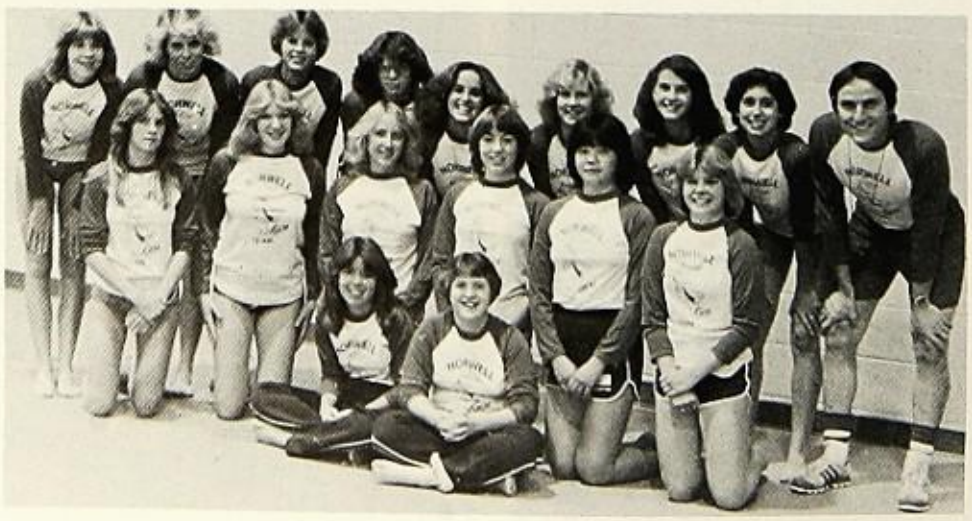
This is one sport in which the girls did a little better than the boys; the girls won one meet. Junior Ann Rekeweg, a state contestant, and freshman Todd Bate, a sectional semifinalist, both made the same comment about their respective teams. "It was hard work, but the team improved so much from the beginning of the season," they said.

The girls' team, made up of mostly juniors and sophomores, took their sole regular season victory against Blackford. The next win came during the sectionals when they beat three teams. This was their season goal — not to finish last.

The boys' team did fairly well, being made up of mostly freshmen and sophomores, and competing against teams made up of mostly juniors and seniors.

Both teams have a lot to look forward to. They've begun the long hike to the top of the mountain, and are awaiting another turn.

Boys' Swim Team. FRONT ROW: Lisa Tarr, Cheryl Crellin, Paula Wolf, (managers). SECOND ROW: Jeff Binkley, Tim Tarr, Larry Tillman, David Ploughe, Doug Scherer, Doug Painter, Rick Weikel (manager). BACK ROW: Todd Bate, Thomas Woodward, Dan Easley, Steve Kitchin, Jeff Hanusin, Don Bentz, Coach Dennis Chambers. NOT PICTURED: Matt Brubaker, Ron Leman, Kenny Frauhiger, Gary Kleinknight, Brad Pursley, Sandy Case.



Girls' Swim Team. FRONT ROW: ReJeana Garner, Amy Brane (managers). MIDDLE ROW: Wendi Hoover, Tami Decker, Angie Shilling, Lisa Tarr, Mika Kitahara, Cheri Decker. BACK ROW: Paula Wolf, Ann Rekeweg, Shelly Gerbers, Emily Bradley, Dana Sadler, Cheryl Crellin, Bridget Henry, Pam Fisher, Coach Dennis Chambers. NOT PICTURED: Lori Eichler.

1980 Girls' Swimming

Norwell		Opponent
69	Manchester	100
59	South Adams	111
58	Bellmont	114
99	Blackford	71
68	Bellmont	102
52	Bluffton	120
70	Jay County	99
9th	South Adams Sectional	

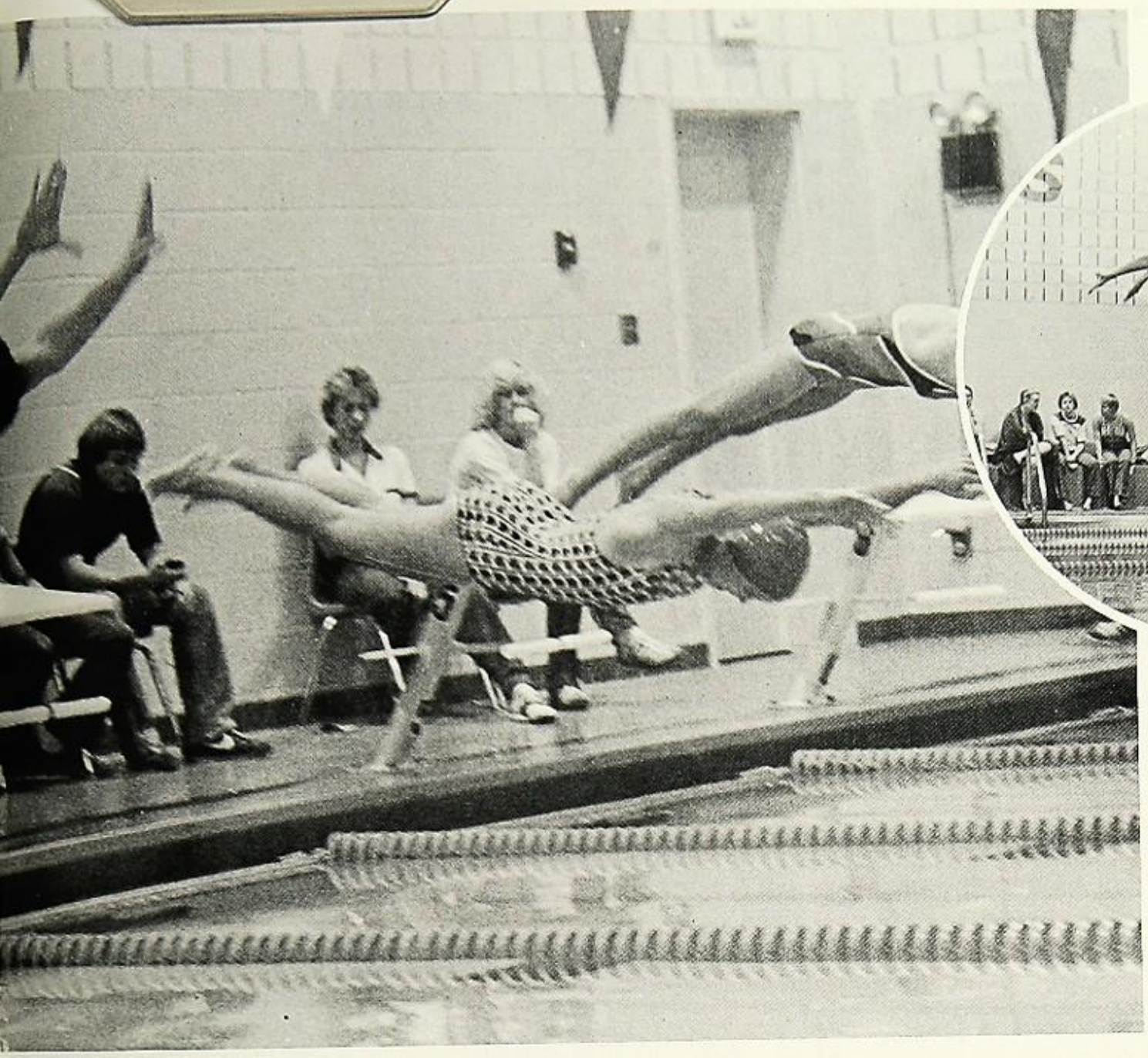
Season's record: 1-7

1980-'81 Boys' Swimming

Norwell		Opponent
46	Bluffton	124
56	South Adams	104
45	Bellmont	127
51	Bluffton	109
34	Bellmont	129
55	Blackford	114
63	Jay County	109
59	East Noble	111
10th	South Adams Sectional	

Season's record: 0-8

New style? Ron Leman appears to be taking a rest before entering the water.



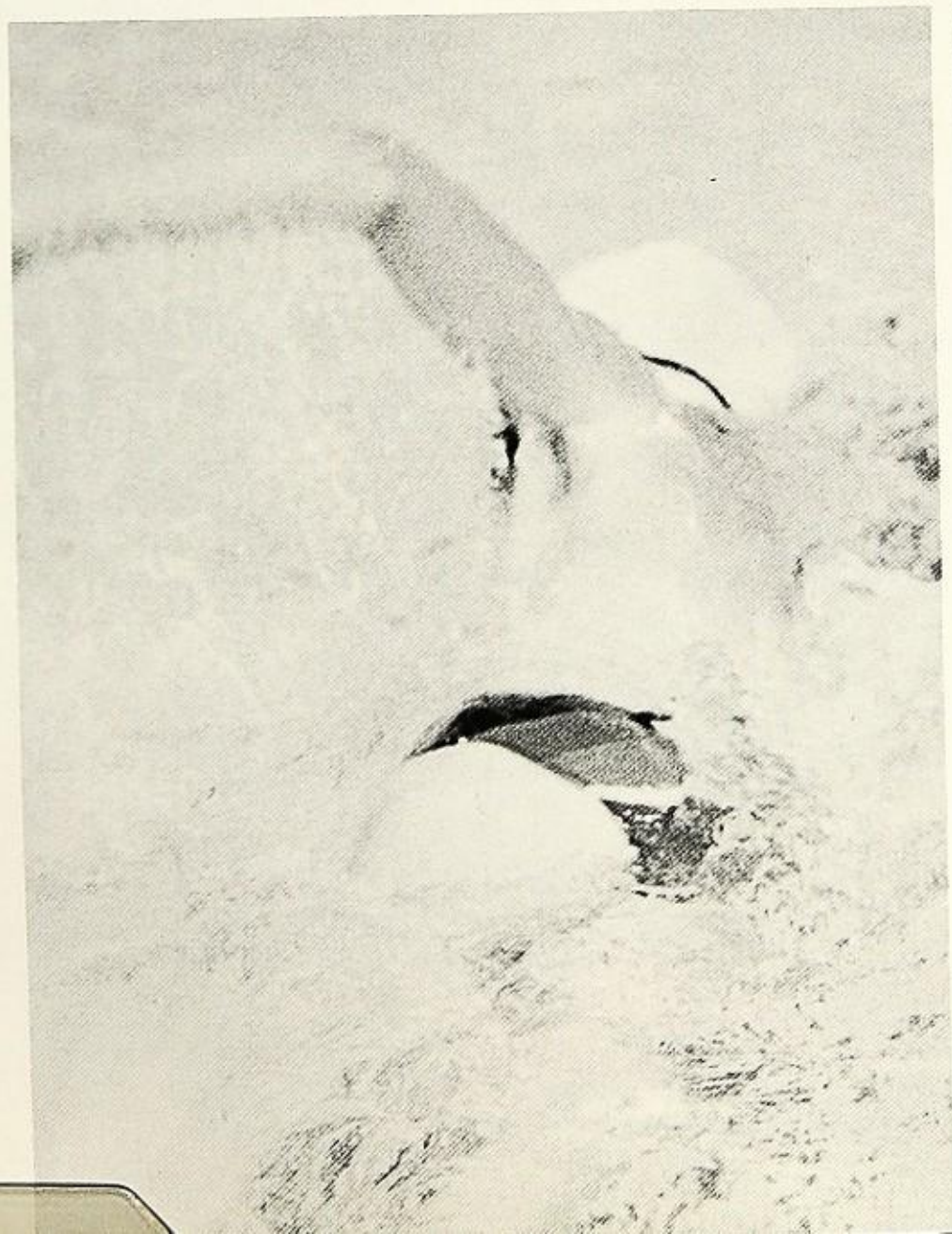
Bending over backwards for this one. Paula Wolf dives in a meet against Bluffton.

One, two, three, they're off! Stretching for the finish, Pam Fisher and Paula Wolf start the race.

Anticipation is making me wait. Ready to move into action, Ann Rekeweg waits for the sound of the gun.

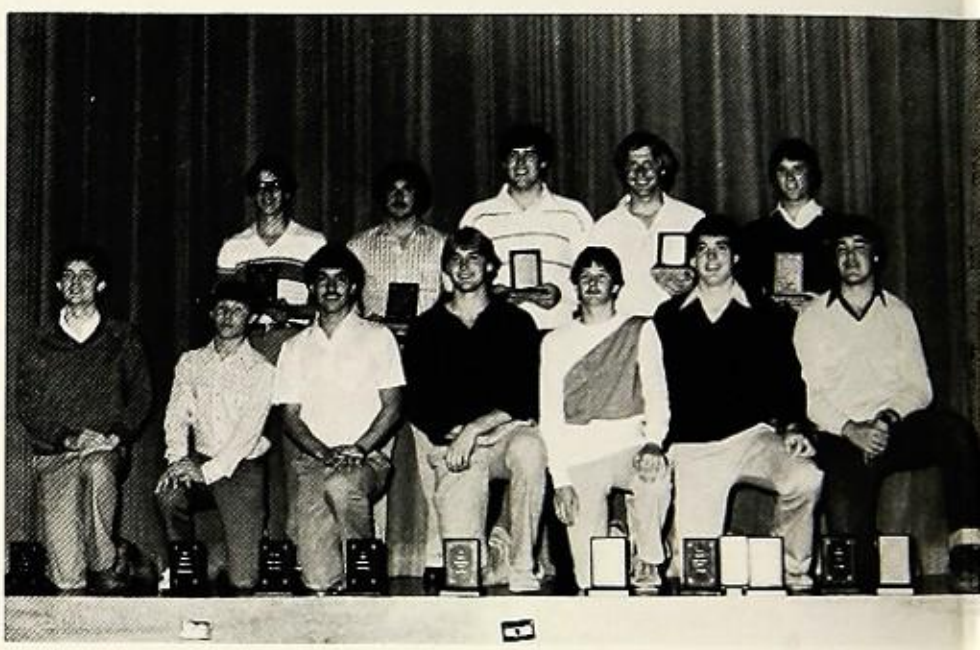
Free and swimming it. Freshman Todd Bate picks his style to travel to the other end and back.

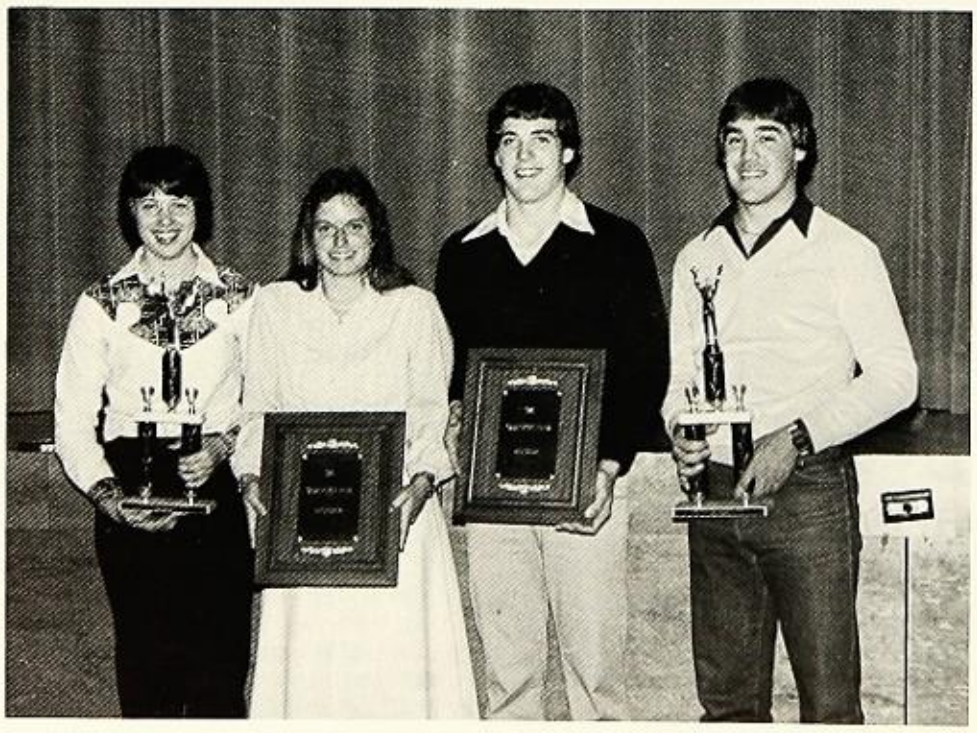
Coach's advice? "Go!" Dan Easley, Sandy Case, Coach Chambers, and Kenny Frauhiger cheer the guys on.



Golden Knights. Ann Strehler and Jeff Miller receive their plaques from Mr. Decker, athletic director.

Girls' Sports Award Winners. Ann Strehler, Julie Dian, Gala Gerber, Jeannie Stauffer, Denise Johnloz, Tonya DeBolt, Marilyn Bolinger. NOT PICTURED: Denise Scheumann, Bonnie Bryant, Kim Lopshire, Linda Dunwiddie, Ann Rekeweg, Lisa Tarr.





Top Award Winners. Susan Narhwold (Rotary Award), Ann Strehler (Golden Knight), Jeff Miller (Golden Knight), Matt Kinzer (Rotary Award).

Boys' Sports Award Winners. FRONT ROW: Dave Rupel, Truques Polderman, Stacy Hoffacker, Jerry Kumfer, Stacy Schoeff, Jeff Miller, Matt Kinzer. BACK ROW: Vincent Gerber, Doug Steffen, Kent Somers, Andrew Antrim, Rick Hoopingarner. NOT PICTURED: Rob Graham, Chip Mann, Todd Bate, Dan Easley.

Most valuable lineman. Senior Jerry Kumfer receives his plaque from Coach Scott.

Sports spectaculars honored

On May 18, athletes were recognized for their outstanding performances for the year.

Leading in citizenship, attitude, leadership, and athletics were Golden Knight winners Ann Strehler and Jeff Miller. Rotary Club recipients were Susan Nahrwold and Matt Kinzer.

For the first time in its history, Norwell received the 1980-'81 Sportsmanship Award from the Northeastern Indiana Athletic Officials Association. A banner was hung in the commons to acknowledge this honor.

The coaches summarized their season and honored their outstanding athletes.

Football: Jeff Miller, MVP; Jerry Kumfer, most valuable lineman; Andrew Antrim, most valuable back.

Cross country: Stacy Schoeff, MVP; Vincent Gerber, most improved runner.

Boys' tennis: Stacy Hoffacker, MVP; Dave Rupel, most improved player.

Boys' basketball: Jeff Miller, most valuable senior, rebounding award; Rick Hoopingarner, free throws award; Matt Kinzer, assists award.

Wrestling: Truques Polderman, MVP; Rob Graham, best mental attitude.

Boys' track: Doug Steffen, MVP; Kent Somers, most valuable fieldman; Stacy Hoffacker, best mental attitude.

Golf: Chip Mann, MVP; Andrew Antrim, best mental attitude.

Baseball: Matt Kinzer, special award for pitching two no-hitters.

Boys' swimming: Todd Bate, MVP; Dan Easley, most improved swimmer.

Volleyball: Gala Gerber, MVP; Denise Scheumann, best mental attitude.

Girls' basketball: Denise Johnloz, MVP; Julie Dian, best mental attitude.

Girls' track: Tonya DeBolt, MVP; Ann Strehler, most valuable fieldperson; Kim Lopshire, best mental attitude.

Girls' tennis: Linda Dunwiddie, MVP; Jeannie Stauffer, best mental attitude.

Girls' swimming: Ann Rekeweg, MVP; Lisa Tarr, most improved swimmer.

Students receiving blankets were Jeff Miller, Matt Kinzer, Stacy Schoeff, Stacy Hoffacker, Scott Scherer, Jerry Kumfer, Rick Weikel, Andrew Antrim, Greg Van Meter, Craig Plummer, Rhonda Levitz, Becky Mankey, and Jeannie Stauffer.

Gigi Delgado, Juli Mossburg, and Cami Crane received sweaters.

Boys' basketball, baseball, track, cross country, and football teams all won conference championships. Jeff Miller, quarterback and defensive back, received all-state honors in football.

Sectional titles were earned by the girls' volleyball team and boys' football, basketball, track, and cross country teams. Sophomore Gala Gerber was chosen to the volleyball all-conference team. Denise Johnloz and Denise Scheumann made honorable mention. Marilyn Bolinger and Julie Hedges turned in all-conference performances for the optional gymnastics team.

Denise Johnloz was chosen as a member to the all-conference team for her performance on the girls' basketball team. Gala Gerber received honorable mention.

Chosen for the boys' basketball all-conference team were Jeff Miller, Matt Kinzer, and Dirk Bradburn.

Among the all-conference members of the cross country team were Stacy Schoeff, Darren Bryan, Vincent Gerber, Rod Hurraw, John Schnieders, Scott Steffen, and Chris Norrick.

All-conference performers on the boys' track team were Stacy Hoffacker, Scott Hoffacker, Greg Griner, Jerry Kumfer, Stacy Schoeff, Darren Bryan, Doug Martin, Kent Somers, and Doug Steffen.

All-conference football players recognized were Jeff Miller, Andrew Antrim, Craig Plummer, Brian Walda, Mark Smith, and Eric Deavers. Honorable mention went to Neal Worden, Kent Somers, Scott DeHoff, and Greg Griner.

Many football players were chosen for the *News-Banner* All-Star Team. Chosen for the offensive team were Jeff Miller, Andrew Antrim, Neal Worden, Craig Plummer, Brian Walda, Kent Somers, Anthony Hoch, and Mike Gillum. Honorable mention went to Scott DeHoff, Rick Weikel, and Rick Hoopingarner.

Chosen for the defensive team were Greg Griner, Mark Smith, Eric Deavers, Jerry Kumfer, and Matt Kinzer. Honorable mention went to Scott Lindemann, Kent Somers, Mike Gillum, Doug Steffen, Chip Mann, and Jeff Miller.

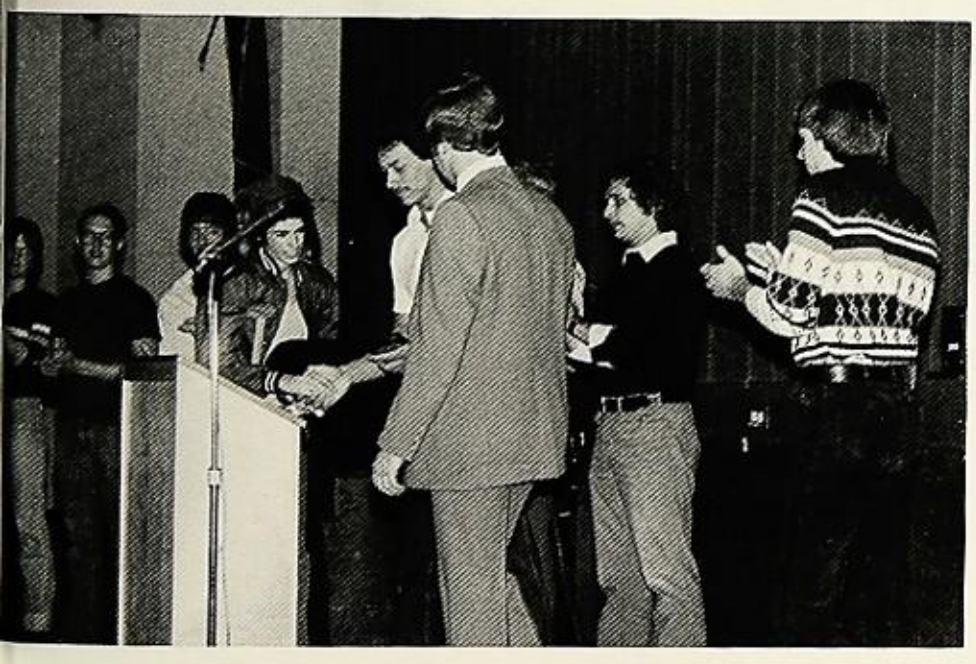
Two members were selected to the All-State Team. They were Jeff Miller, quarterback, and Matt Kinzer, punter.

Seven members were selected to the Associated Press Class AA All-State Team. Chosen for the first team were Kent Somers, Brian Walda, Matt Kinzer, and Craig Plummer. Chosen for the second team were Jeff Miller and Andrew Antrim. Honorable mention went to Mark Smith.

Bloomington Herald Telephone selected Brian Walda for their offensive team and Mark Smith and Jeff Miller for their defensive team.

Anthony Hoch was selected to an academics team.

Jeff Ellis, wrestling student manager, was given a special award by his teammates. He was also given a letter sweater.



A No. 1 with us. Freshman Jeff Ellis receives a letter sweater and a special award from team member Craig Plummer. Mr. Cobble and other wrestling team members look on.

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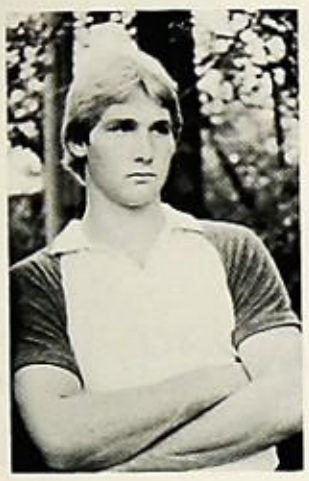

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The guiding Knight. Senior Rick Stabler directs the Marching Knights during halftime.

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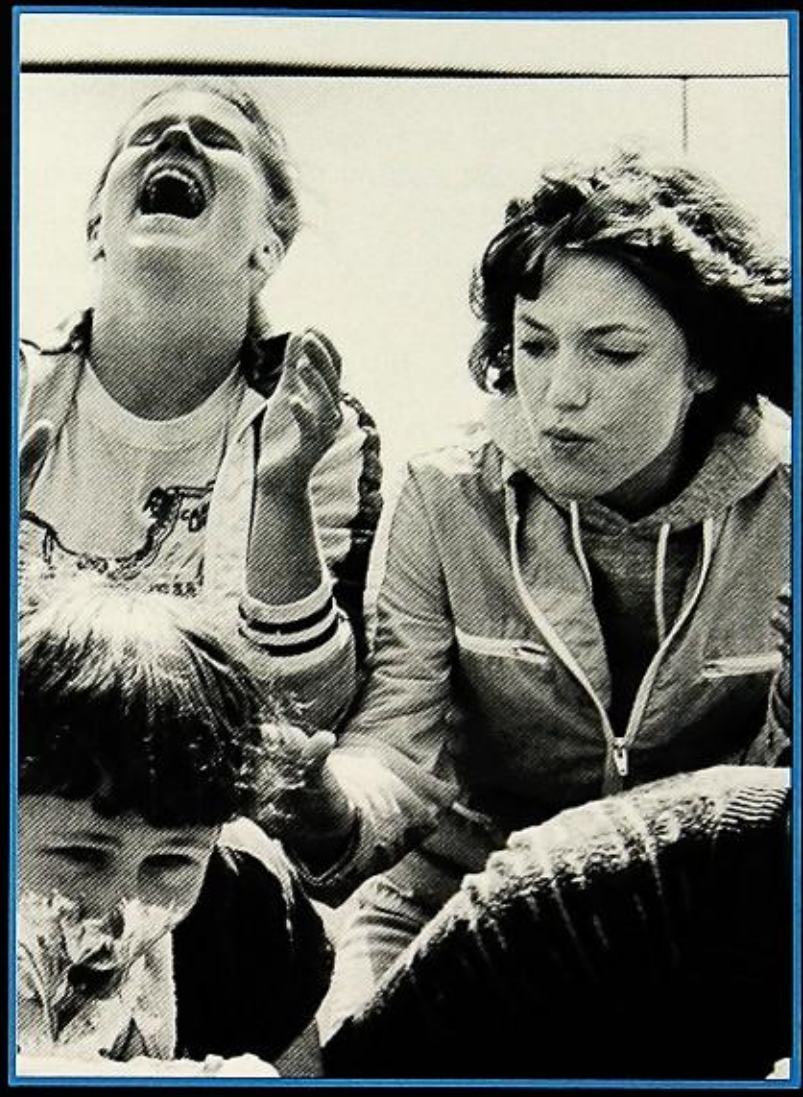
Sun-soaking. Students sit and talk, read *Wavelength*, and relax from throwing a Frisbee in an attempt to get outside and catch some rays during lunch period.

Filled with spirit. Students cheer for the basketball team during a pep session before an ACAC Tourney game to be played at Fort Wayne Memorial Coliseum.



Whippin' it. Freedom Jam performs the song made famous by Devo. The group appeared at a convo March 12 and returned the following Saturday night for a concert.

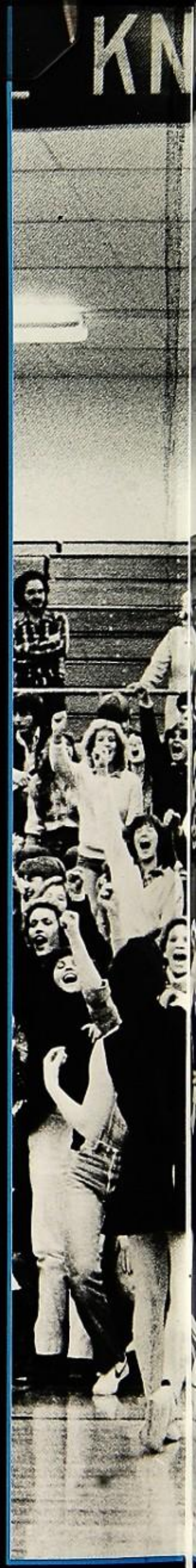
Facing it. Angie Binkley questions Truques Polderman's pie-eating tactics while Cheryl Crellin is amused by his table manners during Play Day competition.

Many changes took place over this school year, and all in all, they made Norwell an even better place to be. Sure, there were the traditional activities like Play Day, pep sessions, and a movie *(Heaven Can Wait)*, but new attempts to create excitement made school a lot more interesting.

Convocations had always been something you suffered through just to get out of class, but this year's were different. Performing songs like "Whip It" and "Back in Black," Freedom Jam not only gave Norwell its most exciting convo ever, but simultaneously taught us to respect our country.

The prom had always taken place at Goeglein's, but this year the juniors controversially changed the location to the Fort Wayne Marriott. Students questioned rumors of a cold buffet, but the meal was changed at the last minute, and all enjoyed "A Time for Us" with a touch of class.

Even with all the changes, some things stayed the same, like close student-teacher relations and the small-school closeness of students — even in the county's largest school.



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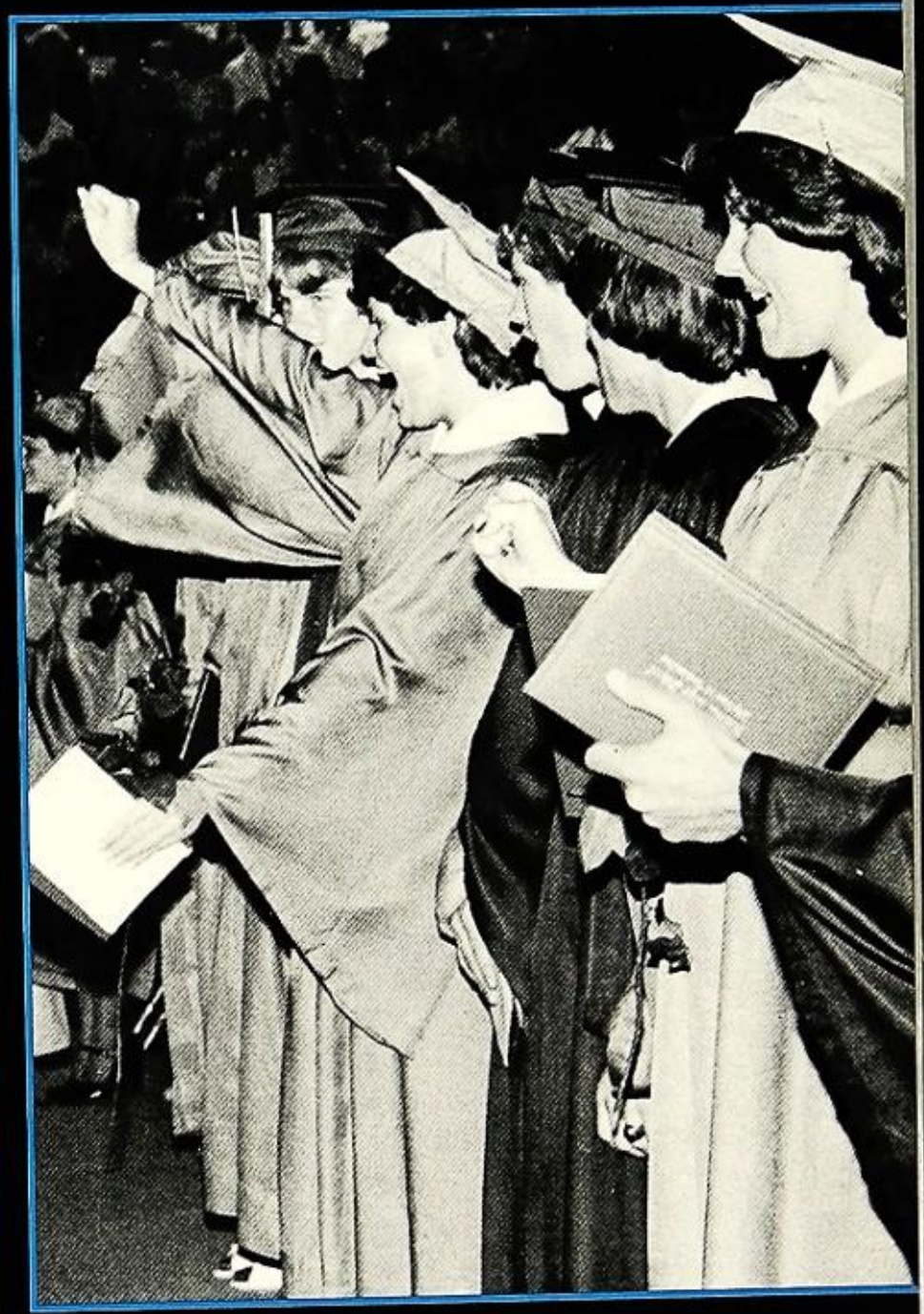
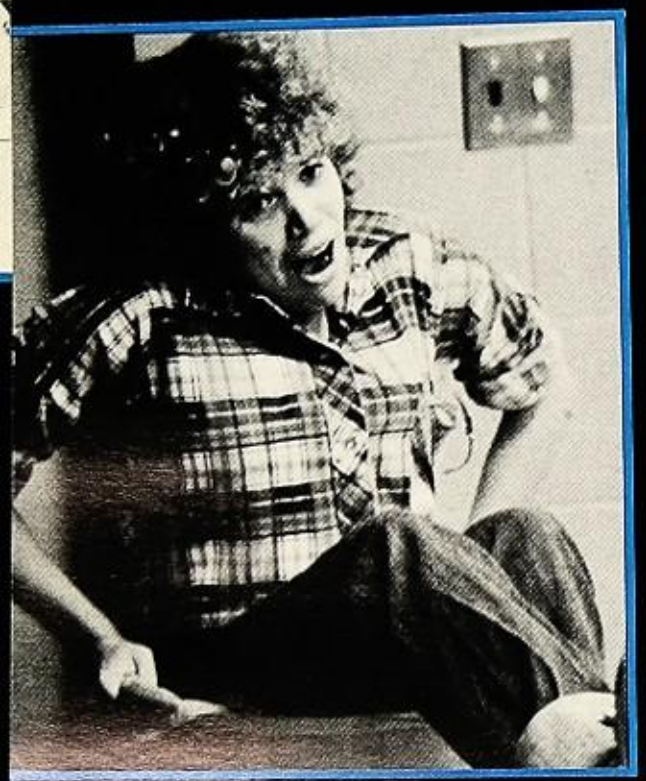
Trying to make ends meet. Mick Lewis and Kent Maggard race toward the knot "to get a kiss from a cheerleader." Refereeing this pep session event is Greg Van Meter.

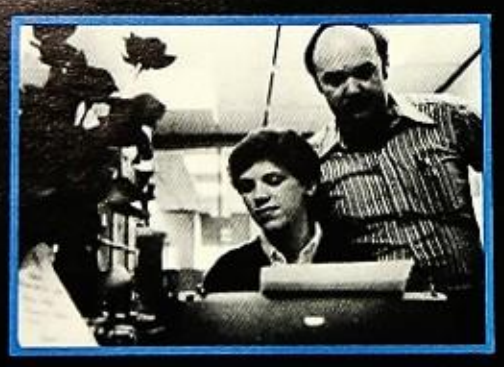


Glad grad. As the commencement ceremony comes to an end, Kristie Barkley shows how happy she is about being graduated.

Follower of the leaders. Beth Gilbert, Mr. Mike Gilbert's daughter, gazes at Juli Mossburg and the other varsity cheerleaders as they arouse the crowd of Norwell fans during a home basketball game.

The agony of the seat. Sophomore Dawn Denney unhappily attempts to pull herself out of the wastepaper basket she was placed in by some of her prankish classmates one afternoon after school.





A budding secretary. Mr. Thiele observes Kelli Kummer typing beside a vase of roses given to the Business Department secretaries in honor of National Secretary Week.

Another unchanging ritual was the orientation of excited eighth graders late in the year. Nosily and noisily touring the building, they reminded us of how much we've been through since our own orientation days. Some of those memories included impossible tests, teachers who wouldn't believe your excuses, and a bad lunch that made you sick, but most of them centered around all the good times at NHS.

Even though we only took it for granted when we were younger, we realize now that one thing that won't change with time is the fact that *Knight life . . . is the best life!*

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